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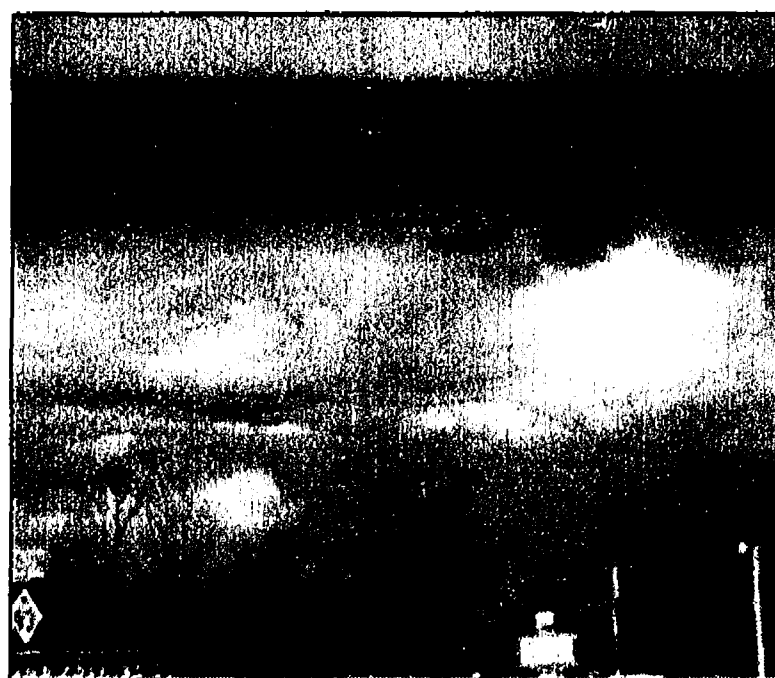
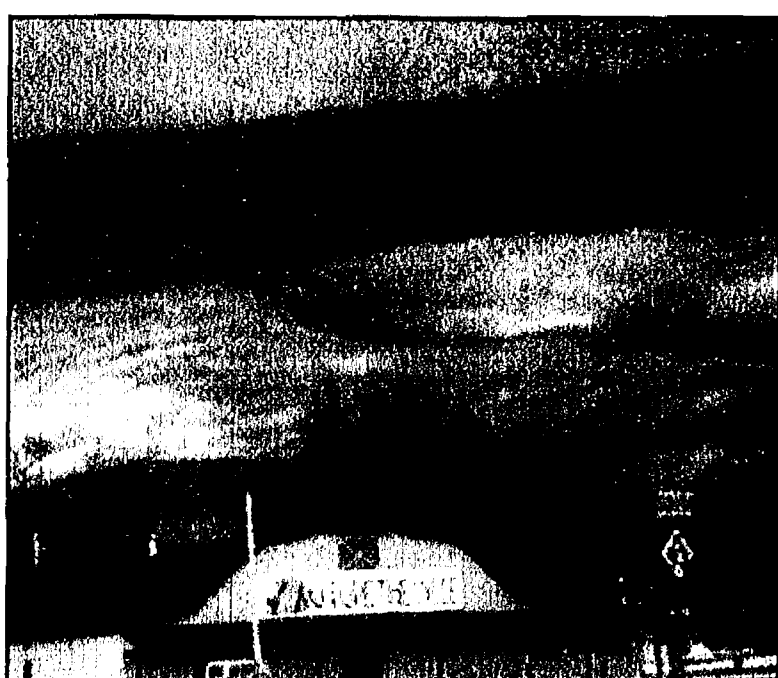
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Everywhere you looked mid-morning last Thursday, April 18, there were people coming out of businesses and homes, stopping along the side of the road, or looking up from their outdoor activities to see what Mother Nature had created. Following almost a week of unseasonably warm weather, with temperatures above 80 degrees, a strong cold front made its way through the Midwest and across Michigan. When the warm and cold fronts converged, a wall cloud developed and the clouds began to blow from all directions, creating spectacular images and formations, including what appeared to be white vortexes, but no tornadoes. Heavy rains with brilliant lightning swept through the area that day and into the night.

Storms result in power outages

► Severe weather downs power lines, power poles, and trees on April 18

Over 1,000 homes and businesses in Crawford County were affected by power outages Thursday evening, April 18, when severe thunderstorms moved through the area. According to Great Lakes Energy the substations that went out were near Frederic and Lovells.

Power was out around Frederic for 36 hours as there were multiple incidences of trees falling across power lines. In addition one of those tree-power line clashes started a fire. At least half of Frederic was without power at the height of the storm.

In Lovells, there were a few downed trees and power was out from about 7 p.m. Thursday until 11 a.m. Friday, but the outage affected only one side of Lovell's Road, some spots along County Road 612 and along Bald Hill Road.

Throughout northern lower Michigan, nearly 4,970 customers of the cooperative and 3000 customers of Consumers Energy were affected by the storm.

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Former Road Commissioner dies in tragic accident

► Independent oil producer served in Korean War with U.S. Air Force

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Ervin E. Richter, a colorful character on the Crawford County political landscape for years, was killed instantly last Friday, April 19, when he was struck by a car as he stepped out of his pick-up truck on a street in the town of Reese.

Richter reportedly was about to cross the street to visit a farming equipment dealer on M-81 when the accident happened. He died instantly from head injuries. According to an article in Saturday's Bay City Times, the driver of the car that struck Richter was not cited because police have determined the driver had no chance to avoid the accident.

Crawford County and South Branch Township voters may remember Richter, age 71, for his 10 years of service (1971-1981) as a Road Commissioner and most recently, as a candidate for District #6 County Commissioner in 2000.

In 1976, Richter was elected President of the Northern Michigan Association of Road Commissioners and played a major role in developing the state financial formula used



Ervin E. Richter

to reimburse counties for the shared cost of snow removal.

Richter served on the Crawford County Parks Commission and Crawford County Drain Commission. He also served as a deputy on the Crawford County Sheriff Department's auxiliary force and was a U.S. Air Force veteran, with service in the Korean War.

Richter lived with his wife of 50 years, Mary Louise (Walker), in their South Branch home near Steckert Bridge since 1965, when they moved to the area from the Detroit suburb of Franklin Village. He was born in Inkster to German immigrant parents.

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County considers GIS system as alternative to new plat book

► Plans for new plat book put on hold as software grant is sought

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners gave the go ahead for Environmental Monitor Pat Merrill to apply for a grant that, if received, may make the publication of a new plat book, through an outside source, unnecessary.

Merrill said the grant is made available through the National Association of Counties and is geared to supplement the county's effort to "bridge the technology gap."

If granted, the county would receive \$8,000 in GIS (Geographic Information System) ArcView software and one year of technical support. The software is comparable to that used by Grayling Township, the Road Commission, NEMCOG, Camp Grayling, the DNR and the Natural Resource Conservation Service. Merrill said he is contacting each of the groups mentioned to see if they are willing to

share information leading to the creation of a central data base.

Once created, the database would be available for use by all local government offices, but according to Merrill, "everyone would need to jump on board to make this successful." He said he is anxious to hear from anyone else in the county using the ArcView software and willing to share information.

The County Board has remained undecided regarding the proper course to take on publishing a new plat book because the latest one needs many updates and people are complaining. New plat books aren't usually developed until the supply of the latest edition has been exhausted. There are still a few hundred of the latest book, published three to four years ago, to be sold.

Vice Chairman Terry Beardslee said although the county may have to invest in more computer equipment, such as a custom printer for printing out large maps, over a period of time the system would pay for itself by being able to sell the most up-to-date maps to those who ask for them.

"We will be able to produce our own plat books," said Merrill.

"Roscommon County is already publishing their own," Merrill said using the GIS software would pretty much end the problem of the plat book being out-of-date the moment it goes to press. "Every time a piece of property is sold, the plat book becomes more outdated," he said.

The grant worth \$8,000 comes with no strings attached for the County, but County Controller Paul Compo said Grayling Township and the City of Grayling really need to participate. "We will need a full-time person to manage the system that will help and be used by everyone in the county. We need funding from another source to do this. Everyone needs to be committed on the project."

Merrill added that the GIS system would also need to be tied into the County Equalization Department.

To cut some costs, Merrill discussed the possibility of hiring a college student who needs to complete field work or a thesis on a related subject. "Or, we could find a computer whiz right out of college -- with the latest knowledge -- who is building a resume and this would be a good place to start."

Crawford United Way reaches goal

► Local annual campaign reaches \$55,000 goal with the help of many

Citing only the generosity and support of everyone who contributed to its efforts this past year, the Crawford County United Way Board of Directors said they are delighted to announce they have met 100 percent of their goal, raising a total of \$55,000 during the 2002 Annual Campaign.

"This is a true testament to the sense of community and civic responsibility that is evident throughout our county," said local chapter Executive Director, Cindy Timmons.

As the 2002 campaign year comes to an end, the United Way is proud to claim success. "We set a hard-thought, realistic goal this year in hopes that we could claim a successful outcome," said United Way Board President, Linda Golinick.

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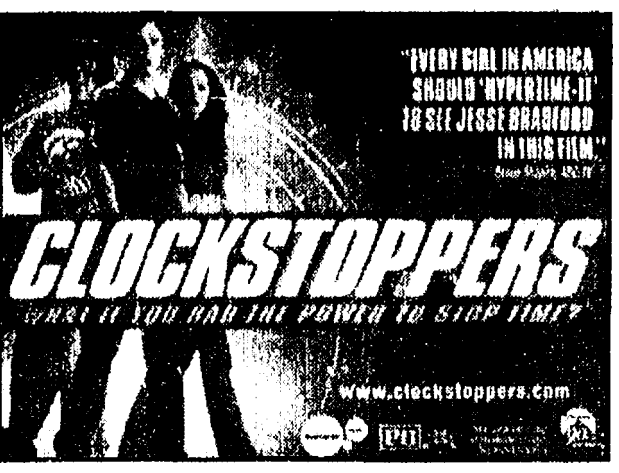
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Women to make 60-mile trek for breast cancer

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Both women and men are at risk for breast cancer, and three women will spend three days this spring walking to raise funds for research, patient care, support services, community-based breast health programs, education and early detection in the Avon Breast Cancer 3-Day walk.

From May 31 to June 2, Cheryl Alef, Denise Parkinson and Angie Harland-Horsch (Alef's daughter), of Grayling and Macomb, respectively, will unite with some 3,000 other compassionate women and men of the Avon Breast Cancer 3-Day.

These breast cancer "crusaders" will walk 60 miles over the course of three days to raise a significant amount of money and public awareness for breast cancer programs nationwide.

According to the American Cancer Society, breast cancer is the most common cancer among women, other than skin cancer, and is the second leading cause of death in women, after lung cancer. In 2002, the American Cancer Society reports that approximately 203,500 women in the U.S. will be diagnosed with invasive breast cancer and about 39,600 will die from the disease.

The Avon Breast Cancer 3-Day in Michigan will "step off" on

Friday morning, May 31 in Ann Arbor and end with closing ceremonies on Sunday afternoon, June 2 in Detroit. The approximately 3,000 walkers will cover about 20 miles a day, traveling at their own pace.

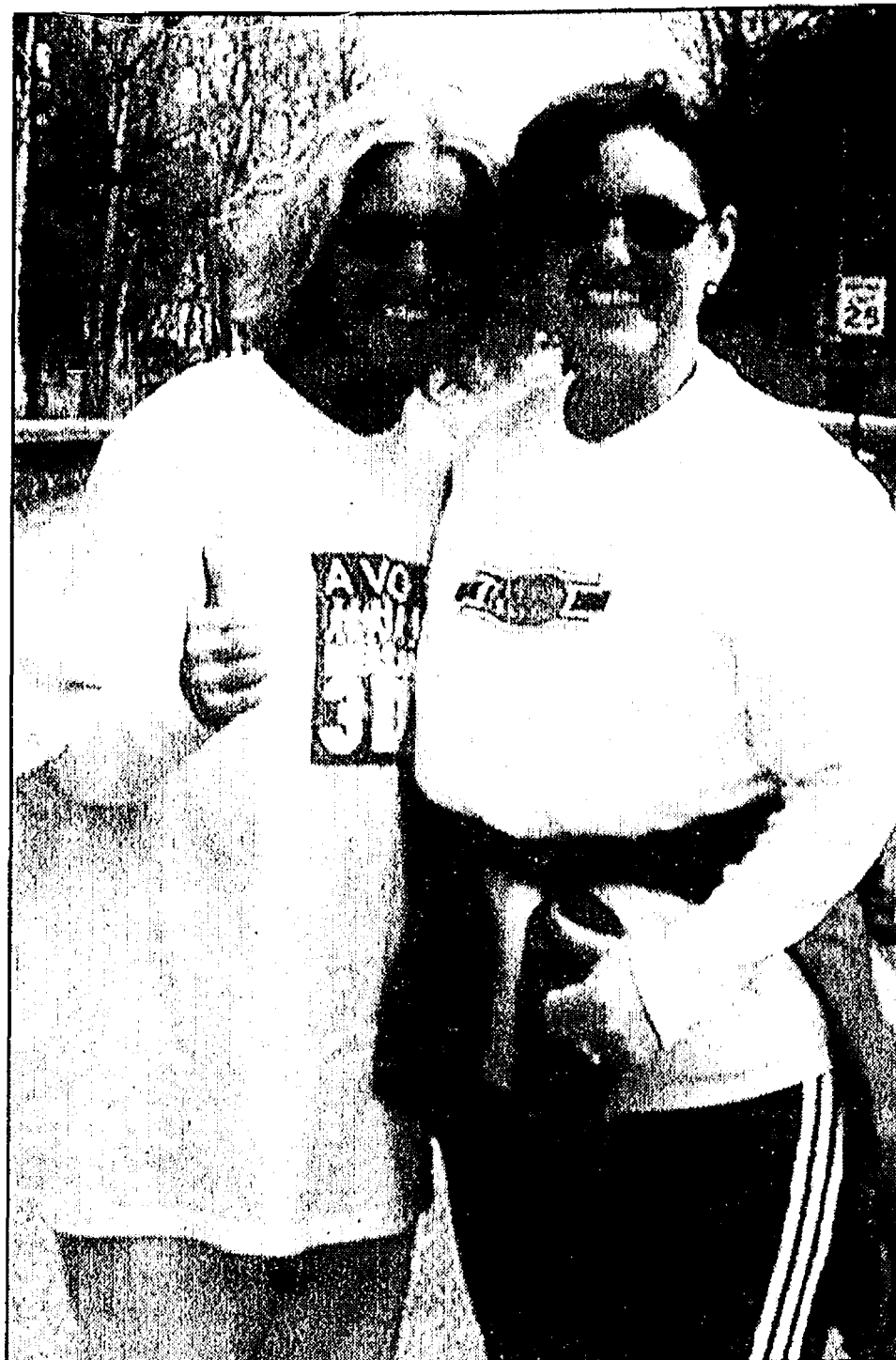
Walkers will be supported by some 500 volunteer crew members and will be treated to hot meals, water and snack stops, gear transport, hot showers and comprehensive medical services.

Each evening, all participants are expected to enjoy camaraderie and entertainment, and sleep supplied in tents under the stars in the Avon Breast Cancer 3-Day "Mobile City."

In order to participate, each walker must train for the event and commit to raising a minimum of \$1,900 (the average funds raised to date is more than \$3,000 per walker). To help prepare for the Avon Breast Cancer 3-Day, each walker is supported by coaches who will help them in all aspects of training and fund-raising, while clinics, meetings, training sessions and mailings provide ongoing support.

To help Alef, Parkinson or Harland-Horsch reach their goal, make a pledge by logging on to: www.breastcancer3day.org or call 1-800-825-1000. To make a donation by check or money order, make payable to Avon Breast Cancer 3-Day Michigan, 3548 Borchers Way, Grayling, MI 49738.

Additional information may be found by logging on to: www.avoncrusade.com.



Cheryl Alef (left), Denise Parkinson (right) of Grayling, and Alef's daughter, Angie Harland-Horsch (not shown) of Macomb need your help to raise money for breast cancer research as they walk 60-miles in the upcoming Avon Breast Cancer 3-day, May 31-June 2. The women will walk from Ann Arbor to Detroit and are looking for pledges.



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Crawford United Way reaches goal

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"It took us right down to the wire in terms of getting us across that 100 percent mark," added Timmons.

According to Timmons, 2001 was a very difficult year for raising funds, given all of the world events that occurred. "The fact that we were able to reach our goal speaks a great deal to the heart of our com-

munity," said Timmons. "It's a clear signal that our residents support the services that our member agencies provide and they want to make sure these services continue."

The \$55,000 raised came from a variety of sources including employee payroll deduction contributions, the CARE Night Auction, individual donations from residents and businesses, as well as grant awards.

The money will be allocated to the Crawford County United Way's 17 member agencies in the form of grant awards. Each agency then receives quarterly payments of their

grant throughout the coming year. A portion of these funds will also cover expenses associated with a part-time paid staff position and operating costs.

"It's an exciting time at our United Way," said Golnick. "We're starting our new campaign year on the upswing and have several new board members that are wonderful additions to our existing group. I'm certain I speak for each and every board member when I say how grateful we are to all of Crawford County for helping us reach our goal through your combined generosity."

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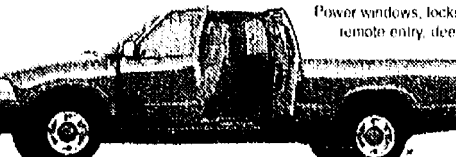
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A self-made man, Richter owned and operated oil wells in Genesee and Tuscola Counties and spent many years as an independent oil producer.

His son-in-law, the Honorable Douglas C. Dosson, Roscommon County Probate and Family Court Judge, said his father-in-law had a personality "not soon forgotten" by

all who met him and that he will be greatly missed.

Richter was the father of three daughters: Sheryl (Douglas) Dosson, Deborah Richter -- a Northwest Airlines pilot -- and Sandra Richter, who passed away in 1999.

A memorial fund has been established in Ervin E. Richter's name at the Roscommon Baptist Church.

Storms result in power outages

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A storm earlier Thursday morning caused some power outages, but those had been fixed by the time the next set of storms moved through that evening.

According to Kevin Keene of Consumers Energy, a combination of lightning striking trees and 60-70 mile per hour gusting winds took down many trees and broke several power poles.



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OPINIONS



ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

Where's the money going to come from?

SHOW ME the money!

That catch-phrase caught on a couple of years ago from the movie Jerry McGuire.

Jerry was a sports agent, whose most important client gave him a single directive when trying to line up contracts or deals: "Show me the money!" he shouted.

And Jerry McGuire had his marching orders.

The demand to "show me the money" is rife once more across the Michigan landscape in this election year, directed primarily against candidates for governor, and in some form or another against any candidate for public office.

For example, Michigan Atty. Gen. Jennifer Granholm is the leading contender for the Democratic nomination for governor and favored by many seasoned political observers to roll over all challengers this year to become Michigan's next governor.

She recently unveiled an elaborately detailed 11-page position paper on where

she stands on education in Michigan.

"Education must be the top priority," Ms. Granholm boldly proclaims. "You can't have a great state without great schools."

In a nutshell, she's for education. Of course, all the other candidates are, too.

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THE GRANHOLM education program spun out many generalities, but it was not barren of specifics.

She proposed to deny driving licenses to students who are chronically absent from school, raise the dropout age from 16 to 18, expand pre-school programs, set up a privately funded scholarship program for at-risk students, offer low-interest loans to local school districts to fix buildings and develop technology, base the state merit scholarship program on need as well as ability.

Those are fairly detailed steps, but there's no price tag.

So the cry goes up from campaign oppo-

nents, media watchdogs and political gadflies of various stripes:

Show me the money!

Candidate Granholm is not the only victim of price-less criticism. Ex-Gov. James Blanchard, U.S. Rep. David Bonior, State Sen. John Schwarz, Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus -- all active on the campaign trail and in the process of outlining programs they favor if they're elected governor -- hear similar demands.

Critics want more details, especially money details. How much is all this going to cost? Show me the money!

Well, candidates are not going to spell it out. They can't.

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THE FACT IS nobody knows what everything they propose is going to cost, nor where the money would come from -- and it's not that important at this stage of the game anyway.

A campaign is a time for ideas for

broad outlines as well as specific pet projects. It's a time to indicate priorities. And yes, it's a time for generalities and inspiration and the lofty phrase.

How much would the state spend on education under a Gov. Granholm, Blanchard, Bonior, Schwarz or Posthumus? It all depends.

Any program any governor proposes is just an idea, until the details are filled in.

Any program the candidates might offer on education -- or anything else -- would be honed and shaped and modified through the process of consultation and deliberation, with legislators and with interest groups, with party supporters and with school people (or others directly involved in the program at hand).

It's how laws are made, and how our political system of governing works.

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ONCE ELECTED, another element comes into play, too: Reality sets in.

"Wow," muses the new governor. "I've got a lot of responsibility, and in a lot of different directions. How can I balance one priority against another?"

The most controlling reality, of course, is how much money is needed to do what the new governor wants to do. If the money isn't there, does the new governor try to raise more, or scale back the program to fit under the resources available.

That's the point when the challenge to "show me the money!" really means something.

Until then, it's all campaign rhetoric.

Any candidate who at this point can place a detailed and accurate dollar value on everything they're promising during the campaign doesn't know what they're talking about.

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Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

VIEWPOINT

by Sherry Haag, Volunteer Coordinator, Mercy Amicare Homecare & Hospice

The volunteer connection

From the earliest days of our nation's history, the spirit of volunteer service has been reflected in neighbors helping neighbors to overcome obstacles in the pursuit of happiness. The freedom and individual rights at the core of our society come from a shared responsibility for the health and well-being of our community and for each other.

For millions of Americans, volunteering is the key to healthy, fulfilling and meaningful lives. Volunteering is giving. There is so much we can receive. Volunteering renews our connection to our community and builds self-worth and social responsibility in our children. Through volunteering, we learn compassion, tolerance, and hopefully, a sense of duty to respond when people are in need.

Volunteering may not always be easy, but it is always necessary. What would our lives be like, what would our community and our nation be like, without neighbors helping neighbors? The simple fact is volunteers provide compassion which government cannot always provide to everyone. Volunteers are the helping hand and human face of private and individual enterprise. They are the conscience of our society. They are thoughtful, committed citizens who continue to change our world - one activity at a time.

Part of the volunteer world is right here in the Crawford County area. People like Ray Osborne, Carole Phillips, Mel and Ann Fishell, Howard King, Vicki Green, Deanna Miller, Wilma Case and Jeff Steffey are making a difference. As Hospice volunteers they deliver medicines, provide transportation, read to patients or just sit and listen, but what a difference they make in the lives of those they serve and their families.

April 21 - 27 is National Volunteer

Week, with its timely and appropriate theme, "Celebrate the American Spirit - Volunteer!" The Points of Light Foundation & Volunteer Center National Network sponsor National Volunteer Week to provide an opportunity to put people, like the special volunteers mentioned above, in the spotlight. They represent America's 109 million men and women who are engaged in volunteer efforts to help solve many of the social problems found in our communities and make them happier, healthier places to live.

President George W. Bush said "We will make a determined attack on needs, by promoting the compassionate acts of others. We will rally the armies of compassion in our communities to fight a very different war against poverty and hopelessness, a daily battle waged house to house and heart to heart."

If our democracy is to survive, we must continue to tap the creative energy of people to bridge the gaps and connect individuals and communities. Working together as volunteers, we must create a new sense of community and of shared responsibility for our future. That future has begun. "Celebrate the American Spirit - Volunteer!" this week and every week.

Contact Mercy Amicare Hospice, Mercy Hospital, Crawford County Commission on Aging, Community Help Center, Family Independence Agency, Crawford AuSable Schools or any other number of agencies in our communities that need your help.

From an unknown author comes these words, "Volunteers don't necessarily have the time; they just have the heart," and from Dr. Seuss comes "Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not." Call today, you can make a difference.

Pray for peace and truth

To the editor,

"Thou Shalt Not Bear False Witness."

This is quite a plain statement. In fact, compared to the income tax, it is dazzlingly plain. No mention of "See exception (B) on page 28, in cases 2L (love), 3h (hate), or 4#*! (stress), except for railroad employees and farmers, (see tables 9c and 10d) and fishermen, who are allowed false witness only during fishing season (see dates on p. 44) unless fish in question measure less than (see table 4b on p. 45)."

The Commandment is simpler. It doesn't even condone false witness in defense of something we love and wish to defend.

Was that an oversight of God's? If we know better than the Creator, maybe we should improve God's word so it sounds like the income-tax instructions? Or perhaps we should respect the Commandment and keep God's word, even if it hurts.

A certain religious person in Grayling loves Israel. He defends Israel by bearing false witness against Arabs and Islam. True, he gets most of his false "facts" from other sources -- perhaps he thinks "false witness" doesn't count if he only repeats other people's lies, or if he sees it on the internet. (My parents didn't let me get away with that sort of slippery excuse when I was a kid, but maybe he thinks God is more lax about truth than my parents were. Personally, I doubt it.)

"Pray for Peace in Jerusalem?" Yes, by all means. But is Peace served by lies?

To my mind, if we tell lies, we create resentment, and resentment leads to a desire for revenge, which creates more violence. In addition to "Peace" I'd like to pray for Truth: Truth in difficult cases, Truth in wartime, Truth even in the *Avalanche*.

Cathy Lester Grayling

Let he who is without sin...

To the editor,

In response to Sharon Zarnick's letter to the editor (April 18):

"If anyone of you is without sin, let him be the first to throw a stone at her," John 8:7.

This is a significant statement about judging others. Because Jesus upheld the legal penalty for adultery, stoning, he could not be accused of being against the law. But, by saying only a sinless person could throw the first stone, he highlighted the importance of compassion and forgiveness.

When others are caught in sin, are you quick to pass judgement? To do so is to act as though you have never sinned (and I'm sure you have). It's God's role to judge, not ours. Our role is to show forgiveness and compassion.

At least Mrs. Olson told the truth and didn't cover it up. None of us is perfect. For some of us,

our mistakes/sins are opened for all to see. Others' are hidden and kept secret, and the people around them believe they are really good people. Mrs. Olson has confessed and is having to face the community every day knowing that a lot of folks feel the same as Sharon Zarnick. She is trying to make things right.

Matthew 7:15 says, "Do not judge, or you too will be judged. For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you. Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? First take the plank out of your own eye, then you will see more clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye."

Deb Roman Grayling

Why questions open new insights, hope

To the editor,

During the past months, weeks, and days, we have asked "Why? Why? Why?" Why the war? Why the disasters? Why the pain? Why do adults make bad decisions in our world, our community, our church, our country?

These many questions are not seeking answers, but wisdom and a source of hope. These many questions are a helpful way of dealing with our individual and community grief and sadness. These many questions open new space within each of us, in our community and our world for new insights, not more blame and shame.

The legal systems will do what needs to be done to protect our community, our children, and our

society. Each of us can also find in these questions a way of connection with our children, of support for those who serve the community in a variety of roles. It is in these supportive, healing and caring relationships that our community, our families, our earth, our church can be healed. What more can we do amid all the changes but remain constant in our love, our support, our caring for each other, for our community, our church?

Chaos brings forth new life. Let's be there, to welcome it with love and respect!

Jean Umlor, RSM
Holistic Clinical Practice
Mercy Hospital
Grayling

Only one boat launch may cause parking problem

To the editor,

Since there is only one boat launch open, as a boat owner I am wondering who is going to enforce the parking at the McIntyre Landing boat launch.

Anybody owning a boat 20 feet long or larger can't get around the corner leaving the boat launch when other boaters park their vehicles on the road and at the corner.

There are designated parking areas! Last summer people were parking everywhere except in the designated parking areas. There is another parking lot a few steps down from the boat launch for boaters to

park.

Is anybody going to enforce the parking regulations this year or will it be first come, first serve? If the parking rules are not enforced, there will be arguments and fights among the boaters at the ramp. Let's hope that it doesn't come to that.

Maybe the people in charge of that area should consider putting "No Parking" signs in areas where there should be no parking and enforce them with tickets or towing of vehicle and trailer.

A concerned boater.
Denny and Kim Bofysil
Grayling

Sanitary Code public hearing needs community input

To the editor and fellow citizens,

We, your Public Health Commission Representatives, would like to encourage your attendance at the Public Hearing on April 30 at 2 p.m. The hearing will be held in the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library's meeting room.

The topic of the hearing will be the newly proposed District #10 Health Department Sanitary Code.

A unified Sanitary Code is being proposed because our district has been consolidated into a larger one. This move resulted in the use of three different Sanitary Codes within one district, thus the need for a

more uniform code.

We feel it is important that the community has an opportunity to make some input on this issue. The Crawford County Commissioners in each of the 10 counties within District #10 will be voting later this year on the adoption of this code. Now is the time to express your concerns.

Lynnette Corlew
Crawford County Commissioner #4
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BRIEFS

Booster Club announces raffle winners

The Grayling Youth Booster Club 50/50 raffle winners of \$25 each for the week of April 18 were Sarah Golnick, Allan Smith, Naomi Minaesey, and Patti and Paula Chapp.

Plant a free white spruce this Arbor Day

The Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District will be providing a free white spruce tree to area residents to plant in their yards in celebration of Arbor Day, on Saturday, April 27. One seedling per person will be available on this Saturday at the Roscommon County Fair Grounds from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Arbor Day is a time to celebrate trees and their importance in our lives. Trees provide oxygen, wood products, animal habitat and recreation to improve people's physical, mental, spiritual, emotional and cultural well-being. For more information, call (989) 275-5231.

Crawford County Fair Board to meet

The Crawford County Fair Association's Board of Directors will meet on Tuesday, May 2 at 7 p.m. at the fairgrounds. The public is welcome.

Eagles Auxiliary to elect new officers

The Grayling Eagles Ladies Auxiliary #3465 will hold election of officers on Thursday, May 2, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Eagle's Hall on Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling. All members are urged to come and vote.

All-you-can-eat luncheon scheduled

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, on Michigan Avenue in Grayling, will host an all-you-can-eat luncheon of soup, sandwiches, salad and dessert on Thursday, May 2, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost is \$4.50 per person and take outs will be available.

Square Dance, Pot Luck planned

A Square Dance and Pot Luck Dinner will be held at the Northwoods Club in Luzerne (on Deeter Road, north of M-72) on Saturday, April 27. The Pot Luck Dinner will take place from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.; bring a dish to pass and table service. Square and Round Dancing will begin at 7 p.m. and run until 10 p.m., with live music and callers. Admission is free, though donations will be accepted. Everyone is welcome, including "beginners." For more information, call Toni at (989) 657-1437.

Annual Mother/Child Banquet May 7

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, on Michigan Avenue in Grayling, will host its annual Mother/Child Banquet on Tuesday, May 7 at 6:30 p.m. It will be a catered dinner. The program "Miracle of Monarchs" will be presented by Rev. Ralph Tanka. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$3.50 for kids three to 12 years; kids under three years admitted free. Tickets may be purchased at the church office.

Low-cost vaccination clinic scheduled

A low-cost pet vaccination clinic will be held Saturday, May 11, from 10 a.m. to ??? at Hawk Hill Farm on Beaver Road (off Military Road, between Four and Five Mile Roads). Rabies shots are \$10 each; other vaccinations will be available at discount prices. To make an appointment, or for more information call 348-9178.

Volunteer Red Cross caseworkers needed

The American Red Cross will train volunteer caseworkers for Camp Grayling, Friday, April 26, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., at St. Francis Episcopal Church on M-72 West in Grayling. Anyone interested in becoming an Armed Forces Emergency Service Caseworker must call 1-800-691-6059 to register. Volunteers will be trained to take or send family emergency messages for armed forces personnel. Those who complete the course can be at-home volunteers or serve Camp Grayling by volunteering on base.

Perennial seminar/plant swap planned

Wellington Farm Park, located on Military Road south of Four Mile Road, will host a Perennial Plant Seminar and Swap on Saturday, April 27 at 9:30 a.m. as part of an on-going Community Service Program. Wellington's Master Gardener will discuss steps necessary to successfully start perennial plants from seed. Everyone planning to attend is encouraged to bring along ten started perennials or rootings for an informal plant swap. Pruning and maintenance of the old apple trees may also be demonstrated that day.

Blood drive scheduled May 1

There will be a Crawford County Community Blood Drive at the Grayling American Legion on Wednesday, May 1 from 12 noon to 5:45 p.m. This drive is sponsored by "Hard Bodyz". (A free trial membership will be given to all participants). Donors must be 17 years of age and weigh 110 pounds to donate. Seniors are welcome. Nurses are available to answer any questions you may have.

There were 103 donors at the Grayling High School Drive in March. The following people were first time donors: Lisa Burnmeister, Robert Cooper, Andrea Dunckley,

Angela Everson, Rachael Evon, Matthew Gabriel Jr., Ryan Hinkle, Jennifer Huckabay, Ann Hughes, Kelly Jansen, Renee Kerr, Tabatha Ketchum, James Lawrence, Justin Lobsinger, Christine Lockwood, Nicole Lutz, Ray Middleton, Maureen Nowak, Jessica Petersen, Kortney Poll, David Ringle, Regina Rossi, Sherry Skiba, Shannon Terry, Stephanie Wakeley, Emily Whitney, Tim Williams, Jr., Ashley Wolcott, and Danta Woods. The following people received pins: One gallon - Andrea Binert; Four gallons - Betty Mansfield and eight gallons - Robert Wargo.

Walkers wanted for CCF Fund-raiser

Great strides - A Walk to Cure Cystic Fibrosis -- is being held at Kirtland Community College on Saturday, May 4 beginning at 10 a.m.

Join with people from across the country (national date is May 18-19) using Kirtland's ring road for the walk, and gathering sponsors to support this event.

Sponsor forms are available from the president's office in the Administration Center. This is a pre-paid walk, so please collect your donations prior to walk day. Sponsors can make their tax-deductible checks payable to the

Cystic Fibrosis Foundation (CCF) and their canceled check shall serve as a receipt.

This event is chaired by the Alpha Omicron Gamma chapter of Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society as their kick-off event of the 2003-05 honors study topic: Directions and Dimensions of Health: Choices in the Maze. It also meets all four hallmarks of the society's activities, scholarship, service, leadership and fellowship.

For more information, phone Kathy Koch at (989) 275-5000, ext. 253, or e-mail her at kochk@kirtland.edu.

Forest Management Workshop offered

A Forest Management Workshop, sponsored by the conservation districts of Alcona, Crawford-Roscommon, Iosco, Ogemaw, Oscoda and Otsego counties; with cooperative efforts from the MI Department of Natural Resources, MI Extension Service, USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service and private consulting Foresters, will be held Saturday, June 8.

This informative workshop, for landowners in these or other surrounding counties, will be held at the Grayling Middle School from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. that day.

The general session will be "Hot Topics in Forest Health" by Roger Meeh, DNR.

Breakout sessions of your choice will be:

'Harvesting Techniques' by Tom Barnes, district Extension Forestry Agent

'Forest Stand Improvement' by Keith Martel, USDA NRCS State Forester

'Marketing, Contracts & Taxes' by Russ Kidd, Extension Forestry Agent

'Woodland Management for Wildlife' by Dave MacArthur, Consulting Forester

'Tree Farm Program/Forest Stewardship/FIP' by Tom Stone, DNR Forester

'Tree Planting' by Tom Stone, DNR Forester

Deadline for registration is May 24 or the first 100 registrants. Cost of \$20 includes resource materials and lunch.

For further information, visit the Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District at 606 Lake Street (CRAF Center) in Roscommon; or call (989) 275-5231, fax (989) 275-3170, or email barb-stauffer@nacd-net.org.

Homecare, Hospice volunteer training scheduled

Mercy Amicare Homecare & Hospice will be holding Hospice Volunteer Trainings May 15-16, from 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. at the Amicare Office, 125 Michigan Avenue, Grayling.

Mercy Amicare Hospice provides in-home care for individuals with life threatening illnesses. Mercy Amicare Hospice is certified to provide service through Medicare, Medicaid, Blue Cross and other insurances. Volunteers are needed to assist a growing number of families in the Amicare service area which covers Crawford, Roscommon, and parts of Otsego, Ogemaw, Kalkaska and Oscoda counties. Volunteers are generally assigned to families within the communities where they reside.

Volunteers are an important part of the hospice interdisciplinary team which includes doctors, nurses, home health aides, social workers, and spiritual care/bereavement counselors. Telephone calls are answered by staff members available 24 hours a day who contact the appropriate team member within 30 minutes.

Volunteers are asked to donate

from two to four hours per week assisting a family with activities that could include respite, errands, light homemaking or companionship. They can also be involved in clerical work, fund raising, public speaking, bereavement and courier service.

The training program includes such topics as communication skills, family dynamics, grief/loss support and body mechanics presented by a combination of hospice staff and guest speakers from the community.

"The information received in training proves beneficial to one's personal life as well as their volunteer activities," says Sherry Haag, Volunteer Coordinator for Mercy Amicare Homecare & Hospice.

To register for either trainings or for more information, please contact Haag at (989) 348-4383 or 1-800-424-1457 weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. or leave a message with the After Hours Coordinator during non-business hours.

Mercy offers healthy cooking program for diabetics, families

It's almost summer and time for family barbecues, picnics and holiday gatherings. The Diabetes Education Program of Mercy Hospital Grayling want those with diabetes and their family members to have a healthy and happy summer.

There's nothing harder for a person with diabetes than making healthy food choices at a big family feast. Let your family members with diabetes know you're on their side. Serve a variety of low fat, high fiber foods. That means a variety of fresh fruits and vegetables, grilled lean meats, fish and chicken without the skin. Cut the fat by cutting down on mayo, oil and butter. Increase the fiber with whole grain breads, peas and beans.

Make your summer celebrations a time to remember. Make it a time to help your loved ones control their diabetes for life. Call Mercy Hospital at 348-0708 to register for the "Spring Into a Healthy Summer" cooking demonstration presented by Karen Neigh, Registered Dietitian.

The program will be held April 29 at Mercy Hospital Grayling's Crawford Room from 7 p.m. to 8 pm. There is no fee for the program; don't forget to register.

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Deadline is April 23, 2001. Here are some questions to get you started:
Who is the teacher you best remember? Why? Who is the teacher who cared about you as a person? Who encouraged you to do your best, mentored you and helped you become more successful than you ever thought possible?

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Entries must be received by 5 p.m. April 23, 2001. Mail or drop off at:
The Golden Apple Award, c/o the Crawford County Avalanche, 102 Michigan Ave., P.O. Box 490, Grayling, MI 49738

The Bible Speaks

Middle East Reality

Some of us clearly remember the Holocaust, Nazism, and anti-Semitism of the 30's and 40's, we never thought there would be a return of this degree of hatred within our lifetimes. Today Israel, a nation with one of the smallest landmasses in the world, is fighting for her very existence. She will probably be the first nation tried by the newly established UN world court for war crimes against humanity. Events are rapidly pointing to the fulfillment of Zacheriah 14:1-3: "Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, and thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee. 2For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city. 3Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle".

Today we are watching the post-modern pagan world rapidly turning their hatred toward two nations, Israel and America. These two nations have many things in common. They are both free nations originally built upon the Judeo-Christian foundation of God's Holy Word. Their citizens are both blessed with the best economies and military might in the world. They are both the most envied and hated of all nations. They both share the same

Messiah, the Lord Jesus Christ. But Israel rejected Him and crucified Him, and America has moved into what is called the Post-Christian era. Fifty years ago a majority of our children had heard the gospel and understood Christian basics. Today, Secular Humanism has forced most vestiges of God from our children and public life. But God says one day Israel will "look upon me whom they have pierced" and repent. (Zech 12:10; John 19:37). But what will happen to America?

I firmly believe just as our founding fathers did that God founded the United States of America for His own honor and glory. Secondly, I believe God founded America as a key nation to bring about the restoration of the nation of Israel and to protect her until the return of Jesus Christ. Therefore, America's greatest security in this evil world remains our trust in God and our defense of Israel.

We fought two world wars in the last century. Germany spearheaded and lost both of them. Germany does not intend to lose the next one. One day we will face a United Europe (EU) joined by Arab oil nations bent on world domination. They will succeed, but only temporarily. The Roman Empire destroyed Jerusalem in 70 A.D. and dispersed the Jewish nation. A revived Roman Empire will again attack Jerusalem fulfilling Zacheriah 14:1-3. Bible prophecy is more accurate and relevant than today's news.

The Bible foretells of a coming one world leader and government supported by a one world false prophet and religion. The world leader will sign a peace covenant with Israel for 7 years and later break the covenant and try to destroy the Jews. History is His story. God humbled Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon and taught him, "that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will" (Daniel 4:17). Our only hope for America's future is defense of Israel and a return to our God, Pastor "B"

Please pray for God's blessings upon the ministry of this column and our church Website at <http://www.i2k.net/~cba>. We at Calvary Baptist Church invite you to learn more from the Bible about Jesus Christ. Join us in a verse by verse study of the gospel of John each Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m.

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Local man chosen to lead Vanderbilt Baptist Church



Reverend and Mrs. Tobias Neal, and son Joshua

Rev. Tobias A. Neal was installed as pastor of the Vanderbilt Baptist Church on Sunday, March 17. Rev. Neal is a 1992 graduate of Grayling High School and received his Master's degree from Landmark Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, TX, in 2000. The pastor and his wife, Carrina (Pope) Neal of Roscommon, reside in Vanderbilt with their 16-month old son, Joshua. Services at the church are Sunday at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m., and Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m.

New pastor to be installed

On Sunday, April 28, at 4 p.m., Reverend Steven E. Thiel will be installed as pastor at Mt. Hope Lutheran Church. He comes from St. Michael Church in Portage, where he has served for the last three years as Associate Pastor.



Rev. Steven E. Thiel

Officiating the installation service will be Reverend William Winter of St. John Lutheran Church, Houghton Lake, who has served as vacancy pastor at Mt. Hope for the last two years.

Reverend Norman Aman will deliver the sermon titled, "What Pastor and Congregation Are to Be About in the Church of Christ," based on Acts 13:15, 26-33 and Revelation 7:9-17. Other pastors of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod from the area will also be participating in the service.

A catered reception for Pastor Thiel and his wife, Susan, and their three children will follow the installation. The members of Mt. Hope Lutheran Church would like to extend an invitation to anyone in the community to attend this special occasion.

Where Does God Live?

Where do you think God lives? Joshua 1:9 says, "the Lord thy God is with thee wherever thou goest." Since God is the Holy Spirit, He can be anywhere and everywhere, not confined by flesh and bone.

Acts 17:24 sheds more light on the dwelling place of God. "God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that He is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands." Then, where does God live? 2 Corinthians 6:16 tells us, "Ye are the temple of the living God."

So, we have the answer straight from God's word. God dwells in each of us... where there is love, for 1 John 4:8 states it simply... "God is love."

Visit God's house this Sabbath where you may share God's love with others. "For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them." (Matthew 18:20) So what is the primary way for God to be in our places of worship? We must go there together.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Job	Job	Romans	Romans	Romans	Romans	Romans
5:1-16	5:17-27	5:1-11	5:12-21	6:1-14	6:15-23	15:1-13

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Prayer Meeting
Tuesday 7 pm

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Wednesday 7 pm

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Midweek Service Prayer 7 pm

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Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 pm

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Worship 11 am & 6:00 pm
Wednesday Evening 7 pm

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Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Service 6 pm
Wednesday Service 7 pm

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Sunday Service 10 am

Luzerne Baptist
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Wednesday Bible Study 7 pm

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Head Start kids surpass Reading Month goal



Photo courtesy of Frederic Head Start

To honor March Reading Month, the NEMCSA Head Start Program in Frederic set a goal to read 100 books in class. The class would celebrate with a banana split party if the goal was reached. The incentive must have worked, because the class managed to read a total of 131 books. With the Head Start families participating and the help of many members of the community, a combined total of 363 books were read. Sheriff Kirk Wakefield read to the class as part of the Crawford County Republican's "Read to Me Program," which donates new books to local kids, many of whom have never owned their very own new book.

GMS names Students of the Month

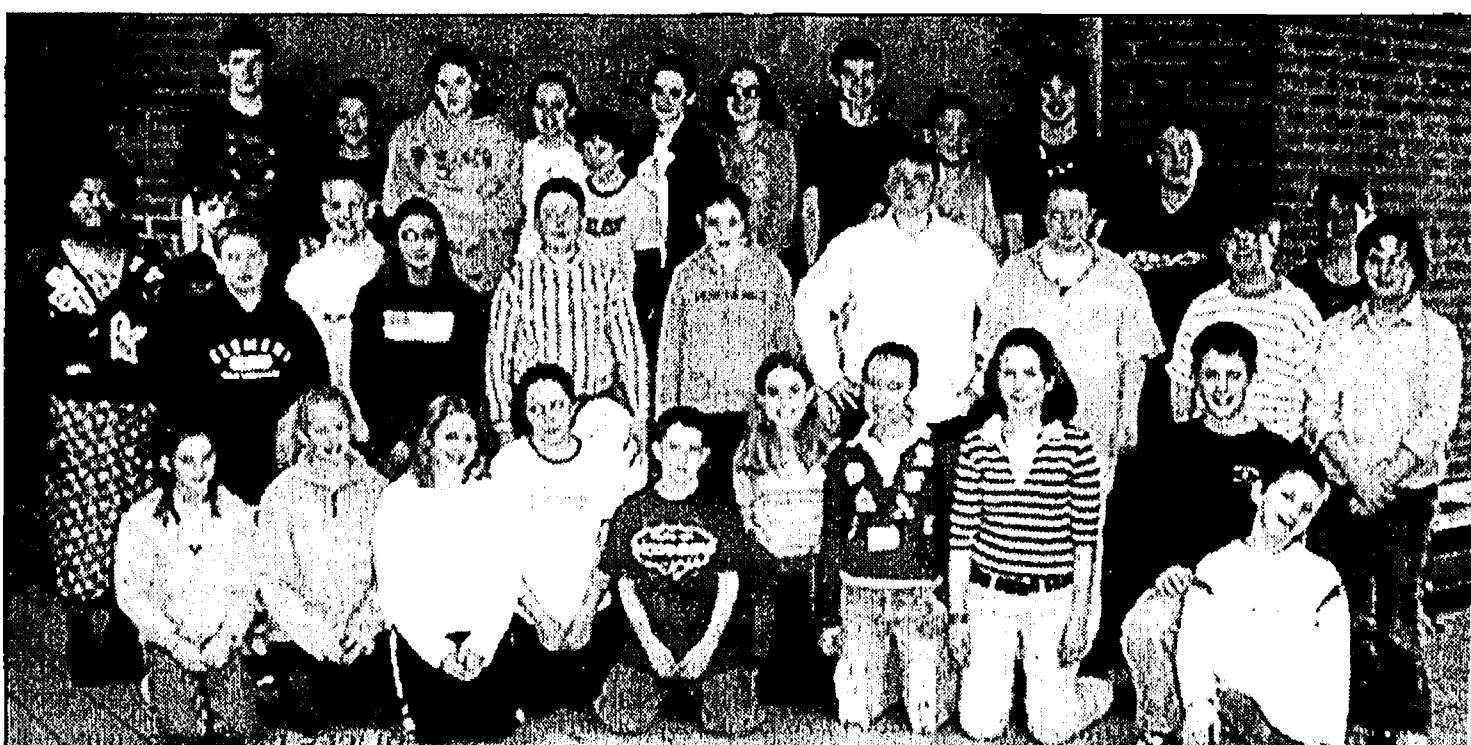


Photo courtesy of Grayling Middle School

Grayling Middle School Students of the Month for March are: (Back) Andrew Felver, Leroy Decker, Kara Longendyke, Jill Seager, A.J. Brackenbury, Chelsea Papendick, Reagan Schmidt, Neil Cook, Nate Helsel, Jim Boylan, Candice Smith; (middle) Rachel Sells, Austin Andrus, Kody Curtis, Victoria King, Marvin Smith, Abby Wheeler, Jesse Uricek, RaelLeigh Galvani, Matt Hunter, Danielle Holland; (front) Rachel Ward, Monica Peters, Ashley McMann, Stephanie Gaff, Wayne Cottrell, Alexzandra Mosel, Jessica Banda, Jessica Phillips, Nick Parkinson, Kyle VanSickle. Not pictured: Beth Bonnington, Amanda Lutz, Debbie Thao, Tim VanNuck, Edward Robinson.

HONORS

Ferris State University

Ferris State University announces its graduation list for December 2001. Benjamin R. Haskel of Grayling received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Pharmacy.

University of Michigan

University of Michigan announces its graduation list for winter 2001. Kristopher Urie of Grayling received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Aerospace Engineering.

Diabetes exercise education class offered by Mercy

Everyone can benefit from regular exercise but to those with diabetes, exercise is crucial.

Mercy Hospital Grayling will present a Diabetes Outreach Program titled, "These Shoes are Made for Walking".

The program will educate participants on the effects of exercise on blood sugar, cholesterol, and blood pressure; describe the four components of exercise; discuss how to identify the four warning signs of overexertion/determining target heart rate; describe appropriate pre-exercise foot care/evaluation; discuss how to select exercise foot wear; identify common exercise foot problems/medical care; and describe food guidelines in preventing low blood sugar.

The program will be offered on May 8 at the Grayling Days Inn in Grayling, Michigan from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Speakers will include Steve Peterson and Katrice Church, Exercise Physiologists who will speak on "Exercising with Diabetes;" Dr. Tim St. John, D.P.M. Physician and Surgeon of the Foot will educate on "Preventing Foot Complications When Exercising"; and Mary Durden-Kenney, Registered Dietitian and Certified Diabetes Educator will speak on safety when exercising.

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Mortgage lender opens Grayling office

by Susan Warrington
Staff Writer

Mortgage North, a lending institution with offices in East Jordan, Marquette and Traverse City, has opened a new branch office in Grayling. The office is located at the corner of Huron (M-72 East) and Mikado Streets.

Mortgage North was formed three years ago by Jeffrey Gardner, of Traverse City, and Paul Michael, of East Jordan, as a result of a two-company merger. Gardner, a former real estate broker and Michael, an accountant, said they both needed to give something back to their communities.

In addition to standard mortgage lending services, Mortgage North offers alternate lending and works with people who have no credit history and those who have inadequate credit ratings. Mortgage North also offers construction loans to contractors and modular home companies.

Although Gardner visits the Grayling office two or three days a week, loan officer Liz Noffsinger is tasked with assisting customers and

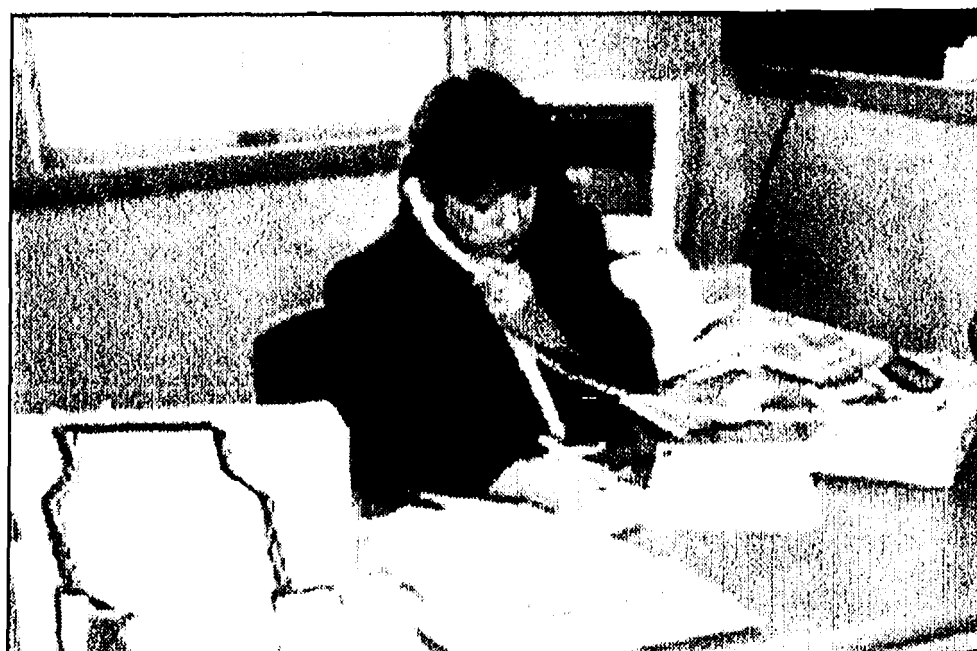


Photo by Susan Warrington

Liz Noffsinger, loan officer at Mortgage North, helps answer questions for a customer at the company's new office in Grayling.

seeing to daily business throughout the week. Noffsinger also started out as a real estate agent and is now completing her degree in business management through Davenport University. She said she is encouraged that local lending institutions

and real estate agents have been very supportive of the new business.

Mortgage North is located at 307 Huron Street (M-72 East), Suite 2. Office hours at 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call 348-7632.

Scale model builders club now forming

Are you a scale model builder? Do you enjoy building scale models, but have no one with whom to share your hobby? How would you like to meet with fellow model builders who have interests similar to yours?

A club is now forming dedicated to model builders of all ages, interests and skill levels. Are you a beginner, or have limited building experience? Come and learn building skills from more experienced builders.

Are you an intermediate builder who has improved models with conversions or modifications or perhaps you have just stepped up to more difficult or detailed models? Come and share your knowledge and techniques with others the club.

There will also be the opportunity of improving your models even further by getting ideas from other model builders with similar skills or interests.

Are you an advanced builder who perhaps has won awards for your building skills? You have an opportunity to help others improve their model building skills and, in the process, perhaps learn some new skills from other builders in the club.

Above all else, this club is meant to be fun and enjoyable for all. It will give us all an opportunity to gather together in the hobby we all share and enjoy. Bring your latest model and teach us a new technique, or learn how to improve your future models. This club is sure to benefit all model builders.

Anyone interested in becoming part of the Scale Modelers Club is asked to contact Dave Cueter at 348-0101 (work) or 348-6640 (home), or Jim Allman at 348-4405.

Mercy names new HIS director

Loretta Wingard's goal for the past several years was to return home to Michigan while continuing on a career path in health services. This year, she was able to do just that.

Wingard recently began her position as the Director of Health Information Services for Mercy Hospital Grayling. "I have been gone from Michigan for the last 15 years. We lived in Washington state where I served as the Director of Health Information Services and the HIPAA Privacy Officer for Kennewick General Hospital," Wingard said. "Growing up in the Thumb area of Michigan gave me an appreciation of rural Michigan and I have missed that!"

In her position, Wingard is looking toward overall automation for her department in the years to come. The



Loretta Wingard

overall goal is a "seamless exchange of information" between health systems and health providers while preserving the confidentiality of patient information.

Agencies sponsor free food program

The Eastern Michigan Food Bank, Crawford County FIA and the Christian Help Center are sponsoring the "Boxed Food Distribution" program on Tuesday, May 14.

This is a one-time only program for Crawford County residents who are TANF eligible: families with blood relative children and who meet income guidelines between a family size of one with a monthly income of \$1,432 or below to a family size of 10 with a monthly income of \$5,962 or below; or those receiving assistance from FIA.

Boxes include 30 pounds of non-perishable food and will be distributed from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., on Tuesday, May 14, at the Crawford County FIA office in Grayling.

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## LIBRARY NEWS

Balloons, stories, and movies were enjoyed by many during National Library Week at Crawford County Library. Some people even enjoyed the luxury of returning books fine free. Grayling Cooperative Preschool stopped in several times bringing little ones for fun, excitement and storytelling. I Swapped My Dog was the biggest hit. (Okay, the puzzles, puppets, cube of games, and computer games all probably did better.) Several volunteers provided extra story times, including the Teen Advisory Board. Attendance was sketchy at best, but we're laying the groundwork.

Thirteen people attended the weather spotting class organized by Larry Akers and run by the National Weather Service on April 16. The week's weather gave them a trial run. Employees from the Traverse Area District Library also visited our wonderful library last week and came away with good impressions and helpful tips.

Planning has begun for Summer Reading which will kick off on Thursday, June 13 at 1 p.m. with Gordon the Magician. Every remaining Thursday in June and all of them in July will feature a big event or field trip. We might even put together a group of Summer Readers for the July 4th parade. For every five books you read, you can choose one free book. (Actually this runs year round, we just hope to have a wider selection of free books this summer. Stop in for a "Reading is Fundamental" form.)

Upcoming Big Events at

Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library (for more information call 348-9214 or log on to: CrawfordCoLib@lycos.com)

• Dream Interpretation Workshop - Mercy Amicare Homecare and Hospice will be holding a class Thursday, May 2 at 2 p.m. in the community meeting room. The public is invited. Call Mercy Amicare at 348-4383 for more information or to sign up.

• Golf to a Safer Back - Dr. Jason K. Elk of Toupin Chiropractic Clinics will help educate and provide exercises to get you in shape for the golf season and prevent those nagging injuries that limit your enjoyment of the game of golf Thursday, May 2 at 7 p.m. in the community meeting room. Everyone's invited. Call Toupin Chiropractic at 348-4560 or Jason at 344-0967 for more information or to reserve a spot.

• Karaoke - The Teen Advisory Board is sponsoring a night of karaoke at the library Thursday, May 9 at 7 p.m. in the community meeting room. Everyone's invited to laugh, sing, and listen to some good music. Call the Library at 348-9214 for more information. No sign up or reservation required.

• Dedication Party - The Crawford County Library Board of Trustees cordially invites you to attend the dedication of the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library on Friday evening, May 17 at 7 p.m.

The guest speaker will be Mark Van Patten, President and CEO of the National Wildlife Federation.

Washington, D.C. Leslie Devereaux will also be here to see the finished library and be warmly thanked for her generous donation.

Reception and tour of the library with live music will follow.

Ongoing Activities (Call the Library for more information. No sign up or reservation required.)

• Story Times - (ages 0-150 welcome) Story Hour with Rae Ann is every Wednesday at 1 p.m.; Teens Read to Kids every 3rd Thursday at 6 p.m.

• Teen Advisory Board (new members welcome) - Meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month at 6 p.m. in the teen area. Reads to children the 3rd Thursday at 6 p.m. in the children's area.

• Friends of the Library - (new members welcome) Meets the 4th Monday of every month at 10:30 a.m. in the meeting room.

• Crawford County Historical Society - (new members welcome) Meets the 1st Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. in the community meeting room.

Computer Club, Trout Unlimited, VFW Safety Town Committee, and Mercy Amicare Homecare and Hospice are all using or plan to use the community meeting room on a regular basis. Contact the organization or the library for upcoming meetings and events.

The public is always invited to the Crawford County Library Board of Trustees meeting the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 3:30 p.m. in the community meeting room.

Edward Elsner, Library Director

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## Student art on display

Two talented Kirtland Community College student artists who have each earned \$12,000 scholarships to continue their education are displaying their work through the first week of May.

Daniel Kucharczyk, of Roscommon, and Justin LaDoux, of West Branch, are displaying various works they have created during their two years at KCC, work that earned them the opportunity to transfer to Kendall College of Art and Design in Grand Rapids.

A reception for the public will be held at Kirtland's Continuing Education Center Art Gallery on Friday, April 26, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m., with an evening gathering from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Both artists will be present to discuss their work.

For more information, call (989) 275-5000 Joe Donna at ext. 226 or Scott Rice at ext. 300.

## New restaurant offers many choices

by Susan Warrington  
Staff Writer

Local residents, Richard and Tammy Cook, opened a new restaurant recently, at 308 James Street in Grayling, called "Richie's."

The eatery opens each day at 11 a.m., offering buffet-style service in addition to burgers, fries and a variety of soups. Customers may choose to eat in or carry-out, and catering services are available.

Richard and Tammy share cooking duties, while employees Dave Lassen covers food preparation and Kristy Gabara helps out with serving and clean-up.

Following the sports theme of the restaurant, there are basketball hoops out back, and free games, like foosball, available. There are also toys for younger children to enjoy.

Richard holds a degree in Culinary Arts from Oakland Technical School and has prepared meals at both the Old Mill Restaurant and Uptown New York



Photo by Susan Warrington

Richard and Tammy Cook welcome everyone to check out their new restaurant, "Richie's" located on James Street (I-75 Bus. Loop) in Grayling.

in Waterford, and the Renaissance Center in Detroit.

When the family moved to Grayling 13 years ago, Richard

helped set up the kitchen at Patti's Towne House. For more information, including catering services, call Richie's at 344-2339.

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## New radiology director named at Mercy

Dave Kahanek has joined the staff of Mercy Hospital Grayling and will be directing the Radiological Department. He joins Mercy with over 25 years of experience in the field of radiology which he achieved through his previous employment with William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak.

"My family has relocated to the Mio area and I was thrilled at having the opportunity to join them in relocating in northern Michigan. The move was easy due to the friendliness of those I have met and their ability to make me feel very com-

fortable," Kahanek said.

The long term goal for the radiological department is to expand services which will meet the needs of the community. The department will be adding a new CT scan, two new ultrasound machines and a nuclear medicine camera which will allow testing such as cardiologies, bone scans and other procedures.

The waiting room has also been scheduled for refurbishing. Several short term goals have already been met, such as streamlining the department and redefining department goals and positions.



Dave Kahanek

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## SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley

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Thu. April 25 - Salisbury Steak/Baked Ham; BP's taken 11 a.m. to noon; Bible Study at 11 a.m.; Uno Attack at 5:30 p.m.

Fri. April 26 - Southern Fried Chicken; no dinner; Pantry bingo and 80 cent Rummy at 1 p.m.

Mon. April 29 - Lemon Pepper Steak/Spaghetti & Meatballs; Stag Cards at 12 noon; Bridge Club at 1 p.m.; Hangman at 5:30 p.m.

Tue. April 30 - Kielbasa Baked Dinner/Beef Stew; Tenant Council meeting at 10 a.m.; Euchre Club at 1 p.m.; Medicine Shoppe Bingo at 5:30 p.m.

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Above all this week, remember: Humans are the only living creatures who laugh. When you consider our behavior, it's hard to understand how animals can keep it in!

## RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled during April 24 through April 30 is as follows:

The Range 40 Air to Ground Complex, located north of County Road 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Road 618, and west of County Road F97 (Twin Bridge Road) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during the following dates and times:

April 24 through April 26 from 8 a.m. until 11 p.m. and April 30 from 1 p.m. until 8 p.m.

For further information on Air to Ground operations call: (989) 939-8880 or (989) 354-6205.

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek:

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For further information call 1-800-628-5820.

## HOMETOWN NEWS

Mark and Nicole Alma would like to announce the birth of their daughter, Alexandria Jaclyn. She was born March 31, 2002 at West Branch Regional Medical Center. She weighed seven pounds 3 ounces and measured 20 inches long.

Tim and Danelle (Canfield) Butzin announce the birth of their daughter Katlyin Tammy, born February 26. She weighed 9 pounds and was 22 inches long.

Grandparents are Bob and Michelle Butzin, Dan Canfield, Beth Davis and Sherri Oerotty.

## HOMETOWN NEWS

Janice Trudgeon, age 46, formerly of Grayling, now of East Lansing, ran the Boston Marathon race in 4:01:09. This was her first Boston Marathon.

## OBITUARIES

### Ervin E. Richter

Dec. 10, 1930 - April 19, 2002

Prominent Roscommon resident Ervin E. Richter died instantly when he was hit by a car in Reese on April 19. Born to German immigrant parents in Inkster on December 10, 1930, Mr. Richter served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. He married Mary Louise Walker shortly after his discharge in 1952.

The Richters originally settled in Franklin Village, where their three daughters were born, and then moved to South Branch Township just outside the Village of Roscommon in 1965.

Although Mr. Richter spent most of his adult life as an independent oil producer, operating his own oil wells in Genesee and Tuscola Counties, he also served on the Crawford County Road Commission from 1971 to 1981 and was an auxiliary deputy of the Crawford County Sheriff's Department. In 1976 he was elected President of the Northern Michigan Association Road Commission and was instrumental in developing the state formula for reimbursing counties for snow removal.

Mr. Richter is survived by his wife, Mary Louise, his daughter Sheryl Dossan (wife of Roscommon County Probate Judge Douglas Dossan), and daughter Deborah Richter, a pilot with Northwest Airlines. His third daughter, Sandra Richter, passed away in 1999.

Funeral services were held at the First Congregational Church in Roscommon on Tuesday, April 23. A memorial fund has been established through the Roscommon Baptist Church.

### Hal Riggs

April 20, 2002

Hal Riggs, age 68 of Frederic, died April 20, at the VA Hospital in Ann Arbor.

He is survived by three children: Stanley Riggs of Homestead, Florida, Rodney Riggs of Florida and Mitzi Riggs of Gaylord.

He also leaves behind seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He requested that there not be a memorial.

We will miss you Dad.

## P.I.T. STOP

### Grayling Middle School News

Submitted by the Grayling Middle School Parent Improvement Team

• Seventh and eighth grade band students participated in Solo & Ensemble competition this past weekend at Kalkaska. Of 32 Grayling events, 20 received a grade of "1," eight received a "2," and four received a "3."

• Remember: No school on April 29, it's staff professional development day.

• April 30 - May 6 the GMS will be holding a Book Fair. They are offering a really great deal with some books being buy one get one free. Parents are welcome to come any time to look and purchase books.

• Garden news: The parents of Grayling Middle School will be tackling the yard in front of the offices (by Ogema Street). We are trying to make the entrance to the school a little more welcoming, along with designating exactly where parents are

### Elmer "Al" G. Wilde

Aug. 26, 1919 - April 20, 2002

Elmer "Al" G. Wilde, 82, died at his residence in Grayling, Saturday, April 20. He was born in Detroit on August 26, 1919 to Lewis and Anna (Essler) Wilde.

Mr. Wilde, a resident of Grayling since 1976 was the owner/operator of Wilde Register & Grille. He was a member of the VFW Gaylord and Sheet Metal Workers Union and a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church.

He served his country in the U.S. Army during World War II.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and wife, Florence (Lamkin) Wilde.

He is survived by beloved friend Betty Barrett, one daughter, Barbara (Richard) Davis of Eastpointe, four sons: Thomas (Kathleen) and Ronald (Bethany) of St. Clair Shores, Kenneth (Sandy) of Columbus, and Lewis (Janice) of Goochville.

He also leaves behind 15 grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Wednesday, April 24 at St. Gertrude Catholic Church, St. Clair Shores with burial at Resurrection Cemetery in Clinton Township.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

### Arline Parker

April 23, 2002

Arline Parker passed away at her home in Rolling Hills, California on Tuesday, April 23.

Memorials may be sent to American Cancer Society Research as directed by the Parker Family, 86 Saddleback Drive, Rolling Hills, California 90274.

### Frances L. Kemp

April 21, 2002

Frances L. Kemp, age 81, of Grayling, died Sunday, April 21 at Mercy Hospital. No services will be held at this time.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

### Ralph E. Boonie

Dec. 11, 1952 - April 16, 2002

Mr. Ralph E. Boonie, age 49 of Frederic, died Tuesday, April 16. He was born in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania on December 11, 1952.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Carl and Virginia Boonie, sister Diane Cook and son James Boonie in 1996.

He is survived by his companion of 19 years, Connie Tuck of Frederic, three sons: Richard of Frederic and Michael and Jason of Nebraska. He also leaves behind two stepsons: Jeremy and Matthew of Frederic, two grandsons: Brandon and Zachary of Nebraska, eight sisters, three brothers and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Arrangements by Nelson Funeral Home, Gaylord.

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Anne Campbell

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When Grandpa looks at Grandma, Somehow he doesn't hear The broken tones that now she owns; Her voice seems firm and clear. Her eyes that smile upon him Are faded blue and dim. Though time has ranged, they have not changed; They look the same to him.

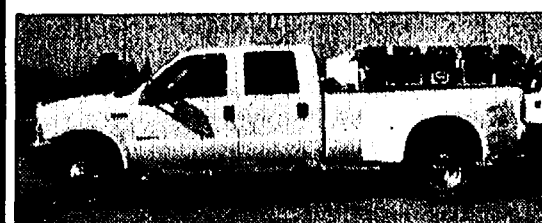
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## THE POWER SPOT

### Grayling Elementary, AuSable Primary School News

#### Submitted by the GES/AP School Parents

The first two weeks of March, The Acting Up Theatre Company was in the AuSable Primary and Grayling Elementary School respectively. The second grade and multi-age did their residency based on "Flexibility" an idea conceived by Mrs. Mick and Chad Patterson, each class built their plays around such ideas as "Flexible Thinking," "Flexible Friendships" and "Flexible Talents." Kami Boik's and Sally Yost's classes won for the loudest.

The next week the third graders focused their plays on Economics. They built production around a castle setting in Laurie Canfield's class and learned opportunity cost on the playground in Gina Brunskill's class. Laurie Canfield and Toni Johnson's classes won for being the loudest.

March 21 - The AP/GE PTO sponsored a Family Activity Night of dinner and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources set up different exhibits that pertained to Michigan wildlife. A free poster was handed out to each child completing all stations.

March 27 - Jackie Fry and Suzanne William's 2/3 multi-age class held an Author's Tea featuring the students' writings and illustrations. Each child invited a guest to come and listen to their story, along with their classmates.

March 28 - Jackie Fry and Suzanne Williams treated their classes to a tag chart reward party. The class received the special treat for good behavior. The party started off with a picnic in the classroom and ended with a secret field trip to the howling alley.

The AuSable Primary had a contest that started February 1, and ran until March 21, to see which class could collect the most box tops for education. Kami Boik's second grade came in first place and Lori

Patterson's first grade class came in second. Both classes will be rewarded with a book for their classroom and Kami Boik's class will also receive a pizza party. We collected 4,985 box tops for the year. Please continue to send in your box tops, we use the ten cents per box top to fund special assemblies.

Spirit Week was just before Spring Break for GES. Students participated in PJ and Slippers Day, Hippie and Glasses Day, Red, White, and Blue and Hat Day, and Mismatch and Crazy Hair Day.

Last month's Principal's Challenge in the Grayling Elementary was a huge success. The student body was challenged to read 50,000 pages. They made it! They read 68,385 pages to be exact. So come good weather in May, Mrs. Camp will be getting dunked in the dunk tank.

In Jennifer William's kindergarten classes they are preparing for an alphabet feast. After helping "Cameron the Camel" find foods that started with the letter of his name, they thought it would be fun to have a feast with foods that start with the same letter as their first name.

Laurie Canfield's third grade class had a pizza party for those who completed the Iditarod race last month. Sixteen out of 24 finished the race. Many of the students read over the required amount to finish.

On May 10 from 9 a.m. until 10 a.m. Kami Boik's second grade class is planning a Mother's Day Tea for their mothers.

Nancy Nunn's kindergarten classes have 18 eggs in an incubator. They'll be in there for 21 days with April 30 being hatching day.

April 23 - Kindergarten Carnival from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. April 25 Preschool Fair at the AuSable Primary from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m.

April 29 - No school.

May 1 - A.C.E.S. (All Children Exercise Simultaneously).

## GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

The Grayling Police Department handled the following 63 complaints during the week of April 14 through April 20:

One traffic ticket, one personal injury collision complaint, one traffic accident, two personal property collision complaints, one OUII complaint, one stolen vehicle, two assault, four animal control, one domestic complaint, one city ordinance violation, one personal protection order violation, one misdemeanor arrest, five larceny complaints, two malicious destruction of

property complaints, one breaking and entering, six juvenile complaints, four motorist assist, three alarms, two disorderly complaints, five traffic warnings, six suspicious situations, one assist other departments, and 11 unclassified complaints.

## SHERIFF'S REPORT

The Crawford County Sheriff Department handled the following 78 complaints the week of April 15-21:

Six traffic accidents, one non-traffic accidents, one accident - all other, three civil matter disputes - family trouble, seven suspicious situations, one lost and found property, one missing persons, two natural disaster (storms, floods, etc.), one general assistance, 16 general non-criminal, one hazardous (spill, leak, power line), two delinquent minors, two false alarm activations, one CSC/sexual assault, two assault/intimidation/stalking, four burglary/home invasion, two larceny, two fraudulent activities, four damage to property, eight public peace/disorderly, six health and safety, one miscellaneous criminal offense, four driving violations/DWLS, etc.

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## MILITARY NEWS

Thomas E. Perry of Beaver Creek Township, a member of the Maneuver Training Center, Chief of Facility Engineer, Michigan Army National Guard, was promoted on March 29 to rank of Lieutenant Colonel by Order of Lieutenant General Russell C. Davis, Chief, National Guard Bureau. He was pinned by Colonel Tibor Lanczy and his wife, Tonya.

Perry graduated from Forest Park High School in Crystal Falls in June 1973. Enlisted in the active Army September 1973. Enlisted in Michigan Army National Guard, 107th Engineer Battalion in September 1983. Commissioned

through Michigan Military Academy in August 1985. Numerous positions in the 107th including, platoon leader, detachment commander, Company commander of Company A, Battalion S-1, Battalion assistant S-3. Transferred to Maneuver Training Center February 1995 as the Facility Engineer. In March 1999 transferred into his present slot as: Chief, Facility Engineering.

Lt. Col. Perry is the Chairman of the Crawford County Road Commission, further serving his community.

He and his wife, Tonya have two children, Megan and Jacob.



Lt. Colonel Thomas E. Perry (center) is "pinned" by his wife, Tonya (right) and Col. Tibor Lanczy (left) at a March 29 ceremony celebrating his promotion to his present rank.

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Free Hearing & Vision Screening for children ages 3-18: May 3.

Other services are available; call (989) 348-7800 for appointment.

Other health services include: Maternal/Infant support - Families Matter, Environmental Health (well and septic permits, food service, water testing, etc.), HIV/AIDS testing, OSHA Bloodborne Pathogen Standard Training session. Free hearing and vision screenings for ages three - 18 years by appointment, as scheduled; Mi Child and Healthy Kid Insurance Programs; Health Promotion Programs: - Smoking Cessation Classes - Abstinence Education (and various health topic presentations by health educators).

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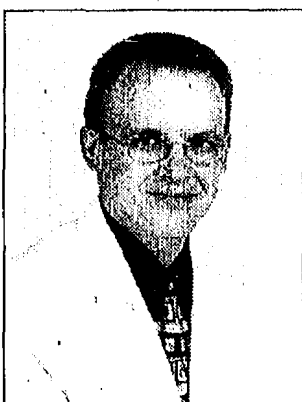
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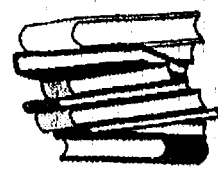
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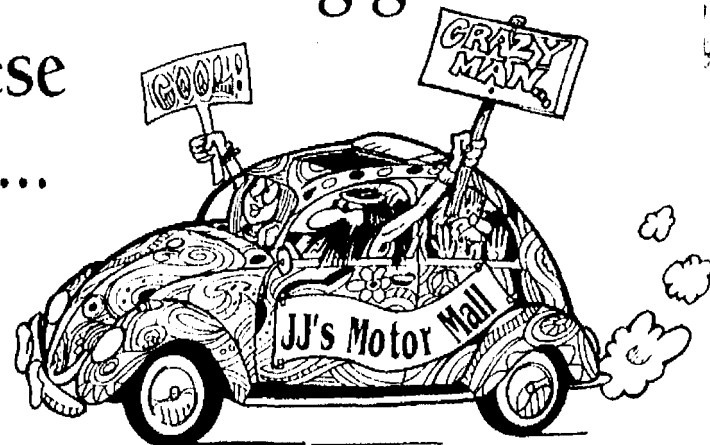
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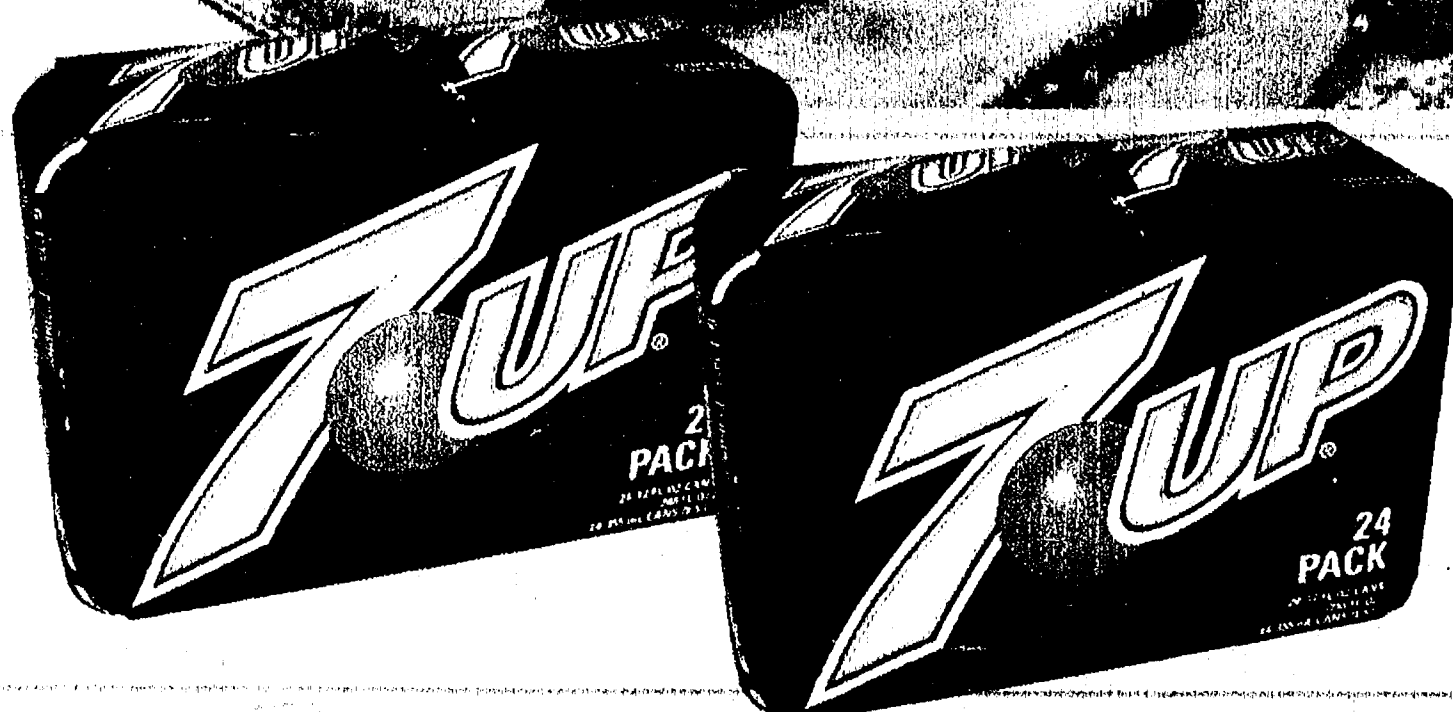
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## Vikings sweep Roscommon

► Varsity baseball team wins two vs. Bucks of Rosco, falls to Houghton Lake

The Vikings of Grayling High School won both games of a varsity baseball doubleheader against Roscommon last Thursday in Grayling.

GHS took game one 15-0.

"Justin Schreiber got us going in

the bottom of the first inning with a grand slam, his second grand slam vs. Rosco in two years," said Coach Duane Vandrese. "That gave us a big lift."

Grayling scored seven runs in the 3rd inning to end the game by mercy rule.

Larry Baynham and Chet Wheeler both batted 3 for 3, with Baynham hitting his first homerun of the season. Schreiber finished at 2 for 3 with 5 RBI.

Baynham picked up the win for

Grayling. He allowed one hit, three walks, and he struck out five in the effort. "Larry set the tone early by being around the plate," Coach Vandrese said. "His best effort so far."

The Vikings edged Roscommon 1-0 in game two to complete the series sweep.

"(It was) a pitching duel between Ryan Davis (of Grayling) and Norm Osborn (of Roscommon)," Coach Vandrese said.

Osborn allowed only one hit, a solo home run to Schreiber. It was Schreiber's second homer of the day, and his third vs. Roscommon in two years.

Davis, a freshman, surrendered six hits, struck out four batters, and didn't allow a single walk (on 64 pitches).

"Neither team committed an error," Vandrese said. "It was a wonderful game to watch."

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Photo by Caleb Casey

Larry Baynham rounds third base and gets "five" from Coach Duane Vandrese after belting a home run against Roscommon in a 15-0 Grayling victory last Thursday.

## Varsity softball team splits with Bobcats

► Vikings unable to hold lead in first game, rebound with victory in game two

"A disappointing loss," said Coach Donna Boughner. "We just could not seem to stop the bleeding. It is a shame, because the girls had a lot of good hits, and we should never lose a game if we score 15 runs."

Grayling High School's varsity girls softball team split a doubleheader with Houghton Lake in Grayling's home opener last Tuesday.

Houghton Lake overcame an eight-point Grayling lead with help from a late 11-run, two-out rally to win the first game 24-15.

"The highlight of the game (for GHS) was base running," Coach Boughner said. "Grayling always is aggressive on the bases, and that makes runs happen. All players scored at least one run, so they all contributed to the game. Ellis

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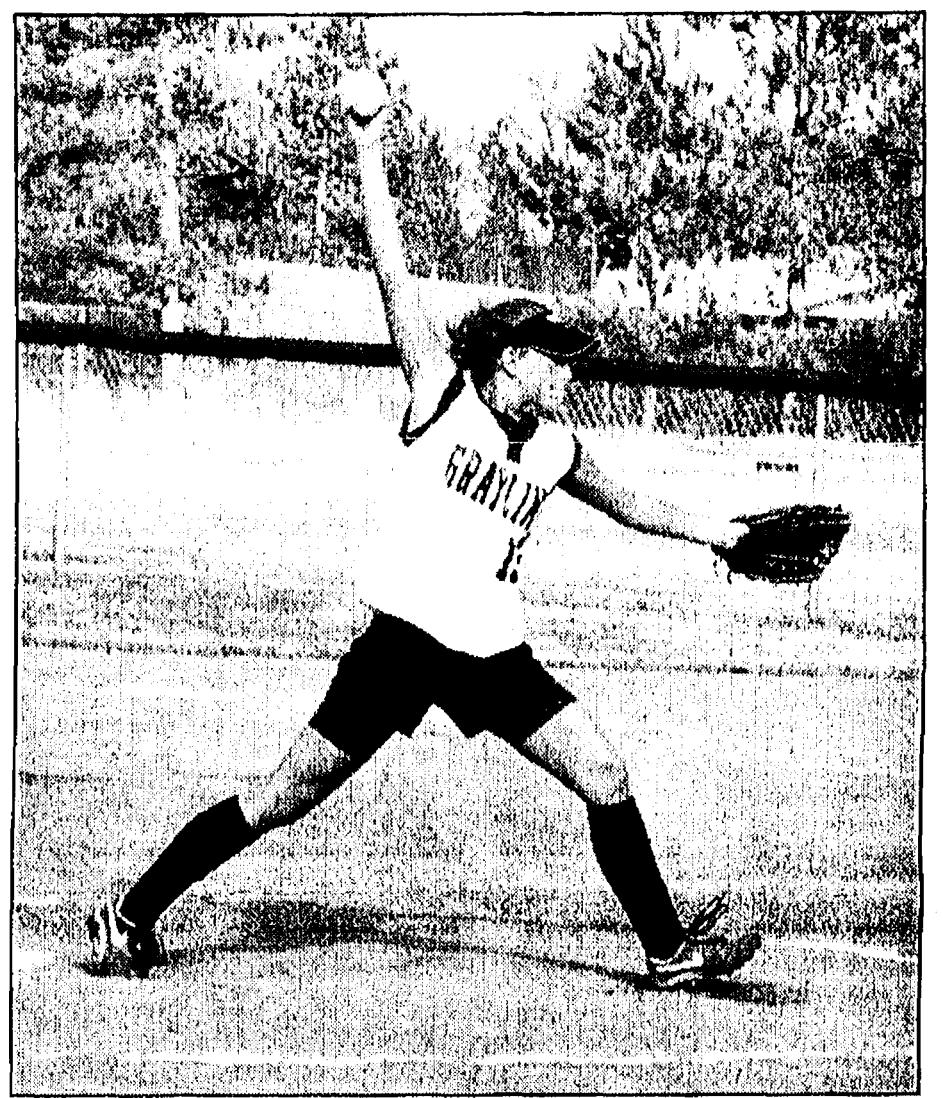


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Senior Ashley Wolcott pitches for Grayling against Houghton Lake on Tuesday.

## Will weather cooperate for trout opener?

► Trout, pike, and walleye seasons open on Saturday, April 27

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

In a spring that has seen wild fluctuations in weather conditions, the next couple days will be critical in determining how well many anglers do on opening day of trout, pike, and walleye season — Saturday, April 27.

Last week was mostly sunny and warm in the Grayling area, but local residents were greeted with accumulated snow on Monday morning, so it may be anyone's guess as to what the next couple days will bring, weatherwise.

"As long as we don't get any extreme weather (rain or very cold temperatures) this week it should be a good opener," said Jack Millikin, owner of Skip's Sport Shop in Grayling.

Warm temperatures will get the fish moving and active, but cold temperatures will make fish more sluggish. Rain will wash insects into the water and if fish feed on them they will be less likely to take an angler's bait. Precipitation will also make the water murky, further dampening fishing conditions.

The opener for walleye and pike "should be pretty good," Millikin said. "The ice is off the lakes, and the water should be clear. Warmer temperatures will help (the walleye

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and pike season opener, too."

## Riverboat building is an art

by Susan Warrington  
Staff Writer

Those gorgeous wooden boats you see floating down the AuSable and Manistee Rivers are built locally and used locally. In fact, this is the only place in the world where they are used.

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## Boys, girls track teams compete in Mio Invitational

# Boys track team defeats Spartans

► GHS competes against Pinconning and Ogemaw Heights in Grayling

Grayling High School's boys track team defeated the Spartans of Pinconning 70.5-65.5 but lost to Ogemaw Heights 102-35 in a dual meet last Wednesday in Grayling.

"This was our first dual meet victory in a few years. Our young men performed exceptionally," said Coach Scott Cousineau. "We needed to win the 1600m relay to beat Pinny and all four guys turned in great performances. The determination of Scott Latusek, making up 30 yards at least on Pinny's anchor runner, was pretty consistent with many other performances. There were so many times our runners moved up one or two positions at the end of their races we wouldn't have won without that extra effort and determination. I am very proud and happy with their effort today."

Placements for Grayling in individual events included:

(vs. Pinconning) 3200m relay team, 1st, time: 9:24; Damien Fleischmann, 1st, 110m hurdles, time: 19.54; Travis LaMotte, 1st, 100m run, time: 12.62; 800m relay

team, 1st, time: 1:44; Shawn Gabriel, 2nd, high jump, 5'4"; Brett Mead, 3rd (tie), high jump, 5'2"; Scott Latusek, 1st, 1600m run, time: 5:07; Tyler Cragg, 1st, 400m run, time: 55.73; Ryan Schmidt, 3rd, long jump, 16'1"; D. Fleischmann, 1st, 300m hurdles, time: 48.95; Schmidt, 3rd, 300m hurdles, time: 51.06; Bob VanNuck, 2nd, 800m run, time: 2:15.1; Michael Salyers, 3rd, 800m run, time: 2:15.7; Kyle Fleischmann, 1st, pole vault, 9'; Travis LaMotte, 2nd, pole vault, 8'6"; Cragg, 2nd, 200m dash, time: 26.25; K. Fleischmann, 3rd, 200m dash, time: 26.49; Latusek, 1st, 3200m run, time: 11:02; Nate Thompson, 3rd, 3200m run, time: 12:35; 1600m relay team, 1st, 3:53.5;

(vs. Ogemaw Heights) D. Fleischmann, 2nd, 110m hurdles, time: 19.54; 800m relay team, 1st, time: 1:44; Gabriel, 2nd, high jump, 5'4"; Mead, 3rd, high jump, 5'2"; Latusek, 1st, 1600m run, time: 5:07; VanNuck, 3rd, 1600m run, time: 5:33; Cragg, 1st, 400m run, time: 55.73; Gabriel, 3rd, 400m run, time: 58.44; D. Fleischmann, 3rd, 300m hurdles, time: 48.95; VanNuck, 3rd, 800m run, time: 2:24.5; K. Fleischmann, 3rd, pole vault, 9'; Latusek, 1st, 3200m run, time: 11:02; John Anderson, 2nd, 3200m run, time: 12:35.

On Saturday, the Vikings competed in the 2002 Mio Invitational.

"We finished 6th but were only 14 points out of 3rd place," said Coach Cousineau. "We scored 46 more points (at the Mio Invitational) this year."

Mio won the meet with 107 points. Rogers City placed second with 93. The middle of the pack was close, with Hale at 76, Pinconning at 70, Manton scoring 69, and Grayling finishing with 62. Joburg and Posen finished 7th and 8th.

Placements for Grayling at Mio included: D. Fleischmann, 4th, high jump, 5'3"; Mead, 5th, high jump, 5'3"; K. Fleischmann, 4th, pole vault, 9'6"; VanNuck, Salyers, Anderson, Latusek, 3200m relay, 2nd, time: 9:28.97; Schmidt, Cragg, K. Fleischmann, Travis Fagan, 6th, 800m relay, time: 1:47.68; Latusek, 2nd, 1600m run, 4:58.49; Mead, K. Fleischmann, D. Fleischmann, Schmidt, 6th, 400m relay, time: 52.51; Cragg, 3rd, 400m dash, 57.10; Gabriel, 6th, 400m dash, time: 59.4; D. Fleischmann, 6th, 300m hurdles, time: 50.86; VanNuck, 3rd, 800m run, time: 2:21.71; Latusek, 1st, 3200m run, time: 10:53.38; Cragg, Salyers, Gabriel, Latusek, 1st, 1600m relay, time: 3:53.24.

"We had some very good performances in what was an above average effort overall," said Coach



Photo by Caleb Casey

Damien Fleischmann competes in a hurdles event for Grayling on Wednesday.



Photo by Caleb Casey

Ashley Hawley competes in the high jump for GHS.

Cousineau. "Scott Latusek's two first places and two second places earned him 'Most Outstanding Male Athlete' of the meet, which was a very deserving honor. His first place performance in the 3200m was a meet record and both his 1600m times and 3200m times were personal records for this year."

"The 1600m relay team placing first was a real pleasant surprise. That team has already lowered our best time from last year by two seconds," said Coach Cousineau. "Kyle Fleischmann cleared 9'6" in the pole vault and just missed 10". We are making huge strides forward and I'm very pleased with the progress of our team so far."

The GHS girls track team placed 5th at Saturday's Mio Invitational.

Vikings placements included: Ashley Hawley, 3rd, high jump, 4'8"; Jessica Green, 4th, long jump, 13'5.5"; Alyssa Farrell, 6th, 100m hurdles, time: 21.15; Brittney Bennett, 4th, 100m dash, time: 15.46; Jodi Riddle, 6th, 100m dash, time: 15.53; Bennett, Shannon Terry, Green, Brica Frisbie, 3rd, 800m relay, time: 2:09.11; Sarah Golnick, 4th, 1600m run, time: 6:29.71; Hawley, Terry, Green, Frisbie, 3rd, 400m relay, time: 59.18; Jenny VanNuck, 5th, 400m dash, time: 1:16.52; Jamie Pinkelman, 4th, 3200m run, time: 15:49.07; Bennett, VanNuck, Green, Hawley, 4th, 1600m relay, time: 4:59.40.

The girls track squad competed against Pinconning and West Branch Ogemaw Heights in a meet in Grayling last Wednesday.

The Vikings lost to both opponents in terms of team score, but posted some solid performances in a



Photo by Linda Golnick

Scott Latusek was named "2002 Outstanding Male Athlete" for the Mio Invitational track meet held this past Saturday. Latusek won the 3200m run, took 2nd in the 1600m run, and anchored 1st and 2nd place relay teams.

variety of events.

"I was pleased with the way our girls competed," said Coach Rich Moffit. "We are improving."

The girls also competed in a JV (9th and 10. graders only) meet at Harrison. "Our girls competed vs. 11 schools and it was a positive experience," Coach Moffit said.

The GHS track teams will host a JV meet vs. Gaylord on Monday, April 29, at 4:30 p.m.

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# Varsity softball team splits with Bobcats

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and Dent had good defensive games. Wolcott and Hinkle were the leading hitters."

Hinkle was 4 for 4 with four singles and two runs scored. Wolcott batted 3 for 5 with three runs scored and four stolen bases. Jamie Dent and Tabatha Ketchum each had two hits for Grayling. Lori Ellis, Emily Harvey, and Lexi Bondar each had one hit, and Bondar had one RBI. Nikita Sartin had three steals and scored three runs.

Grayling rebounded with a 10-7 victory in game two.

"The players came back and fought hard after their disappointing loss in the first game," Coach Boughner said. "Their offense and defense improved immensely. Lori Hinkle got the win for pitching and kept the Vikings in the lead."

Wolcott, Ellis, Dent, and Harvey each had two hits for GHS in the second game. Ketchum, Heather Metzger, and Sartin each had one hit. Wolcott scored three runs, Ellis and Bondar each crossed the plate twice, and Dent, Andrea Dunckley, and Sartin each scored once. Wolcott and Ellis each finished with three steals.

In the team's season opener on April 12, the Vikings lost to the Kalkaska Blazers at Kalkaska 14-1, 15-5.

Grayling went into the series with just two outside practices under their belts.

"The girls played hard and well,"

said Coach Boughner. "One bad inning cost the players this game."

Kalkaska scored 11 runs in the third inning to break the game open.

"A few errors is the reason this game got out of hand," said Coach Boughner. "Senior Lori Hinkle has shown great dedication in becoming the starting pitcher for the Vikings. This is a role she stepped up to play, to help this team out. She pitched a great game, only walking two batters. I am proud of both my senior pitchers for their dedication to the team."

Wolcott, Dent, Hinkle, Sartin, and Harvey each had one hit for GHS in the match. Hayley Boardman scored Grayling's lone run with "heads-up baserunning" on a hit by Sartin.

In game two, Kalkaska scored six runs in the bottom of the fifth inning to win the game 15-5.

"The players finally found their bats and played a much better offensive game," said Coach Boughner. "Five different lady Vikes scored. Ellis had a first inning score with a couple stolen bases and a RBI from Ketchum. Metzger and Harvey each scored a run by heads-up baserunning and being in the right place at the right time. Bondar was an excellent asset to the team with her quickness on the bases and scoring a run on a passed ball. Sartin scored with the help of an RBI by Dent. Again, one inning was the downfall for the Vikings."

Ellis, Dent, Ketchum, Metzger,



Shortstop Jamie Dent throws to first base in the series vs. Houghton Lake last week.

and Harvey each had one hit for GHS. Bondar and Sartin each had two steals.

The Vikings will play at Standish on Friday, April 26. On Monday, April 29, the team will host Gaylord at 4 p.m.



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Lori Hinkle gets a hit against Houghton Lake last Tuesday in Grayling.

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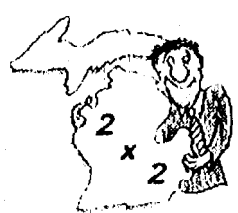
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# Vikings sweep Roscommon

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"We finally put it together offensively and defensively," Coach VanDrese said of the doubleheader. "Some of our leaders really stepped up today. Justin Schreiber and Larry Baynham hit long home runs and that seemed to spark us."

On Tuesday, the Vikings lost a series to the Bobcats of Houghton Lake in Grayling.

Houghton Lake won game one 11-5.

"Our pitching let us down today," said VanDrese. "It started right away. We walked the first two batters of the game and the third hit a three-run homer. We played behind all day after that."

Schreiber took the loss for Grayling. He allowed nine hits, nine walks, and struck out seven.

On offense, Wes Fox batted 2 for 3 and sophomore Roy Czapke hit a two-run homer, his first home run as a high school player.

The Bobcats won game two 13-1.

"Walks were again the story," said Coach VanDrese.

The Viking pitchers combined for 11 walks, and Grayling had four errors that also led to Bobcat runs. Ryan Swope, the starting pitcher, took the loss for Grayling.

On offense, Mike Hale and Joe Lange had the only hits for Grayling.

"We played about as poorly as we possibly could have," Coach VanDrese said. "Offensively and defensively we were passive and generally out of sync. We have got to eliminate some of the defensive lapses and stop walking people or it'll be a long year for us."

Grayling took 3rd place in a tournament at Charlevoix on Saturday, April 20, with a loss to the Rayders of Charlevoix and a win over Roscommon.

In their first game of the tourney, the Vikings fell to Charlevoix 11-3.



Photos by Caleb Casey

Mike Hale puts the bat on the ball against Houghton Lake last week.

"Defensively, we put ourselves in a big hole. We committed two out-field errors that led to four Rayder runs. Four more Vikings errors led to several other scoring opportunities for Charlevoix," said Coach VanDrese. "We had some chances but didn't capitalize."

Schreiber went 3 for 3 and Lange had two hits.

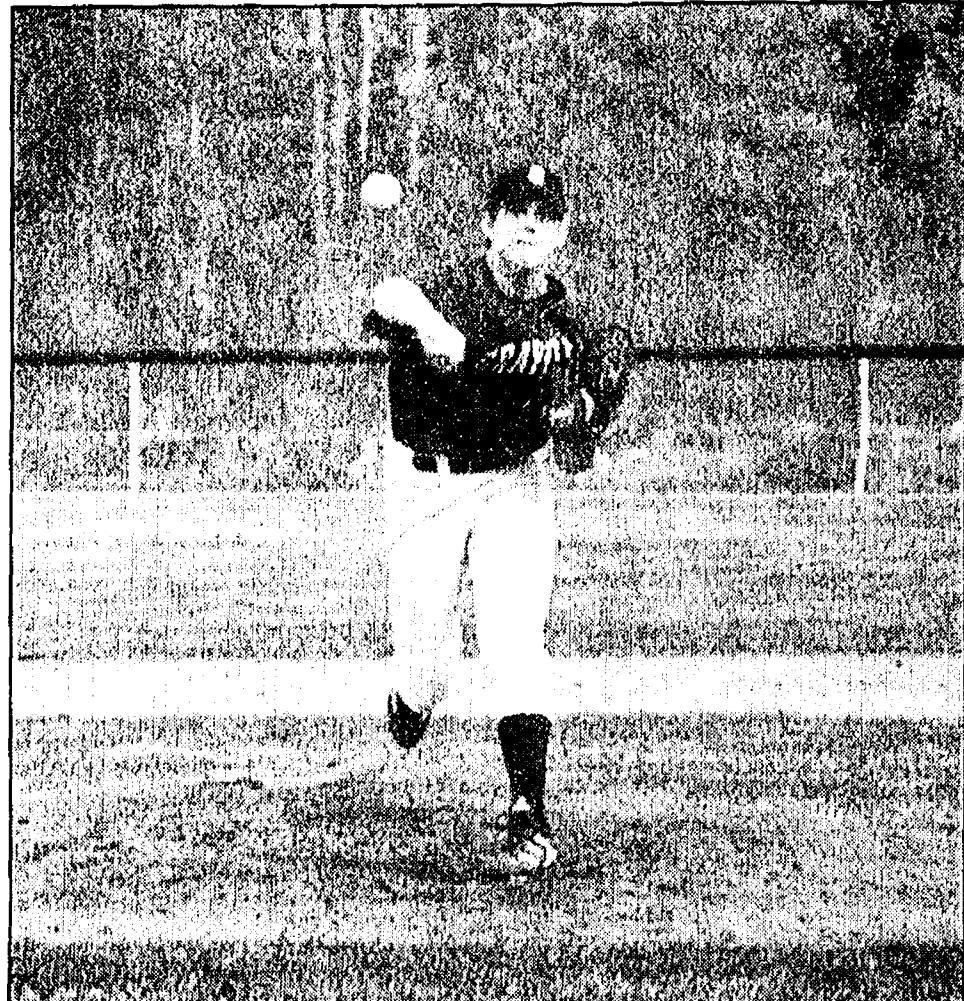
"We learned that if we played better defensively we can play with teams like Charlevoix," VanDrese said. "Only four of their 11 runs did not involve errors. Roy Czapke pitched a pretty good game."

Czapke allowed eight hits, two walks, and he struck out five.

The Vikings bounced back from the loss with a 5-0 win over Roscommon to take 3rd place in the tournament.

Davis pitched the first four innings for Grayling. He gave up only two hits, two walks, and he struck out two batters. Baynham, pitching the last two innings, struck out one, walked one, and didn't allow a hit.

On offense, Schreiber and Adam Kaiser both batted 2 for 3 and Baynham had a two-run homer, his



Sophomore Roy Czapke pitches for Grayling vs. Houghton Lake last Tuesday.

second home run of the season.

On Friday, April 26, the Vikings will play at Standish Sterling

Central.

On Monday, April 29, GHS will host Gaylord at 4 p.m.



After hitting a grand slam homerun against Roscommon on Thursday, Justin Schreiber is greeted at home plate by his Grayling teammates.

## JV baseball team wins at Roscommon

► Vikings sweep Bucks in series at Roscommon, fall to Bobcats at HL

The GHS junior varsity baseball team defeated Roscommon 24-7 and 11-4 in a doubleheader last Thursday at Roscommon.

In game one, D.J. Metzger, Greg Morrill, and Andy Strohpaal each had two hits for Grayling. In the

second game of the series, Greg Warren had two hits, Greg Morrill had an inside-the-park homerun, and Josh Hinkle had a triple.

Strohpaal pitched three perfect innings with five strikeouts on the mound for GHS in game two.

"We continued to play well defensively, but hit the ball much better today than we did against Houghton Lake. Most important, our pitchers gave up far fewer walks today," said Coach Mark Bartkowski.

On Tuesday, the Vikings lost at Houghton Lake 6-1, 8-2.

Lee Schreiber, Morrill, and Metzger each had a hit for Grayling in game one. Schreiber, Strohpaal, and Morrill all had hits in game two.

Metzger pitched four scoreless innings for GHS in game one, and Morrill pitched two scoreless innings in game two.

"The boys played solid defense both games," said Coach Bartkowski. "Our pitchers gave up too many walks. If we cut down on the walks we will be very competitive."

The JV team will host Standish Sterling on Friday, April 26, at 4 p.m. The Vikings will host Bay City John Glenn on Tuesday, April 30, at 4 p.m.

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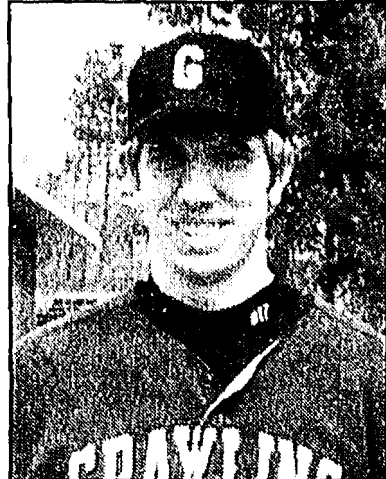
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## Heads Up North

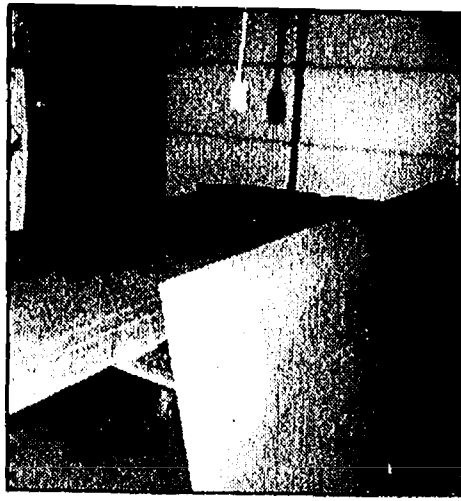
### Viking of the Week



Varsity Baseball  
Coach: Duane VanDrese  
**JUSTIN SCHREIBER**

Justin batted 9 for 15 (.600) last week with 2 home runs, 7 RBI, and several big hits. "His contributions really lifted us and provided us a spark. He is certainly playing to his potential lately," his coach said.





1. Riverboat building - step 1



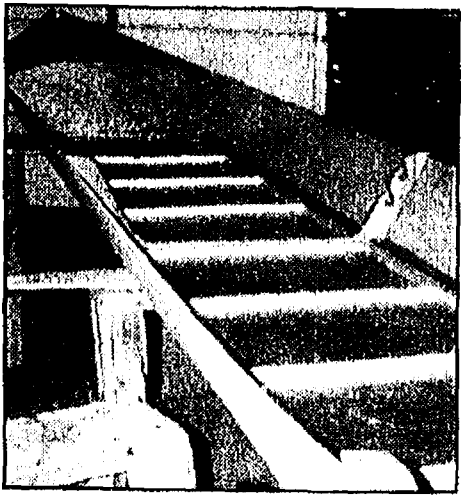
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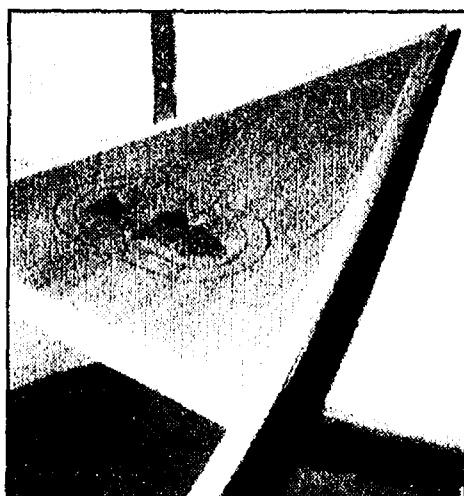
3. The shear is set, trim strips cut and glued to hold shear



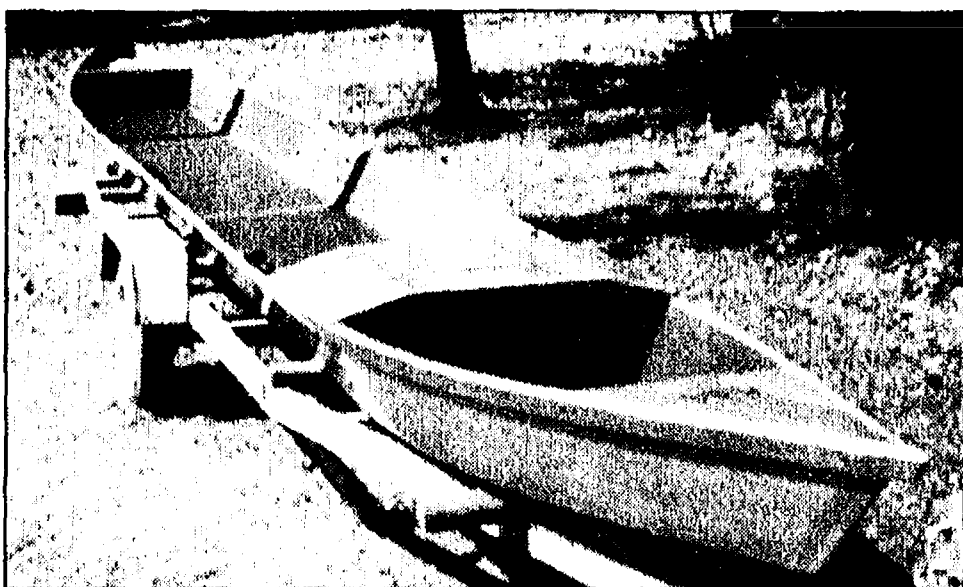
4. Roger putting in cross cleats for strength



5. Braces notched for fly rods in what finally looks like a boat



6. Detailing on the front deck of the boat



7. Finished riverboat

## Riverboat building is an art

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copy of the cutouts for the bow and stern and started building his own riverboats. He finished his first boat in June 1963 but it was 1984 before he could keep one for his own use.

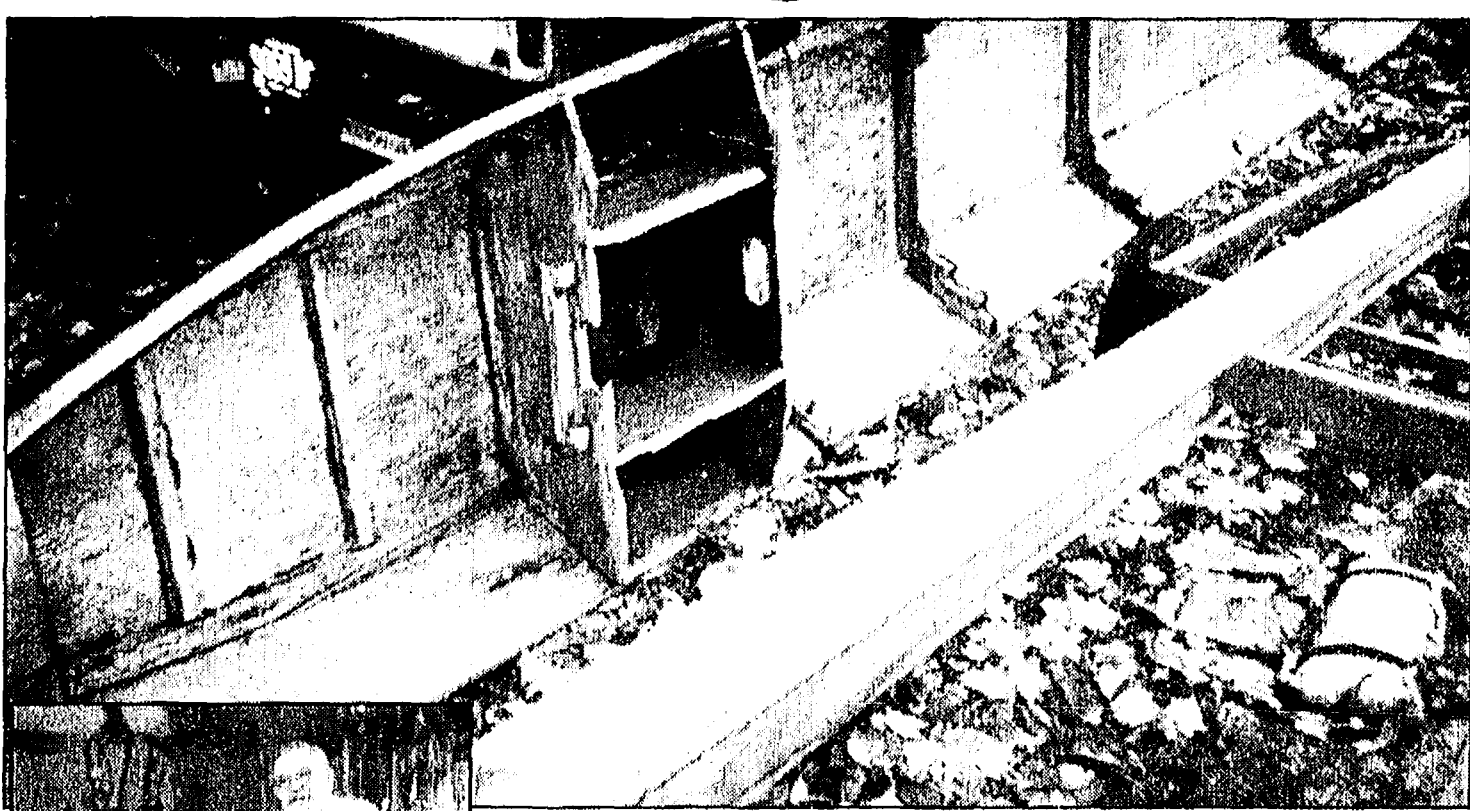
He was invited by the Smithsonian Museum to give a demonstration on building a riverboat. He spent two weeks working on a boat at the Museum. They decided not to purchase the boat and it is now owned by a summer resident of the North Branch. Jay continued to build riverboats until 1993 and his last one is on display at the Michigan State University museum.

During the course of his riverboat building, he introduced the sweep on the bow and stern and put motor brackets on the boat. Although Jay has stopped building boats his apprentice Roger Wisniewski has carried on the tradition.

Roger said the design of the riverboat has changed somewhat because the boats which were originally designed for travel to and from town and also for fishing are now used exclusively for fishing. Since the boats are no longer used to travel upstream they have become wider.

The boats are 23'6" long with a flat bottom which enables it to slide from side to side across the river. The shear at the back lifts up the boat so it has a very shallow draft. The length combined with the shallow draft allows the boat to remain stable while sitting across several river currents so that it is easy to control and is a stable fishing platform.

Roger has been building boats since 1971 and can tell you where every one of his boats is. It takes him about three months to build a boat because there are at least 200 hours of labor involved. Each boat requires 3 sheets of marine plywood



Roger Wisniewski restored a riverboat left out in the elements.

gunnels are added, then the dry well and front deck. The dry well and front deck usually have a fishing related decor, the exact design depending upon whether it is a custom ordered boat or one Roger hopes to keep. (He has yet to manage to keep one.) He adds one last coat of epoxy flow coat to the boat (several others have been added throughout the course of building the boat) and it's ready to float the river.

Roger makes each boat unique since with the exception of the marine plywood, he uses as much local wood as possible including cherry, ash, oak and maple and each boat has a different combination. The boat Roger is building now has

very rare bird's eye oak in it.

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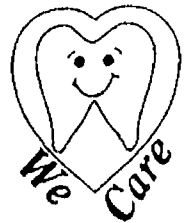
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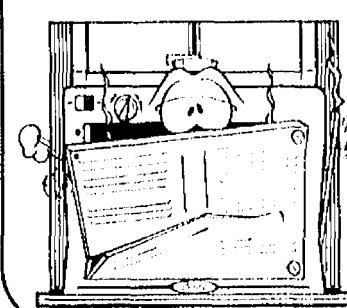
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Lee Babbitt  
Service Manager

## Vikings fall to Petoskey in home tennis meet

► Doubles team of Fedak and Roman wins for Grayling on Wednesday

The Petoskey Northmen defeated Grayling High School 6-1 in a tennis meet in Grayling last Wednesday.

Grayling's #1 doubles team - Kalub Fedak and Kyle Roman - posted the only win for the Vikings 4-6, 7-6 (7-5), 6-3. Bobby Collin

lost a tough three-set match at #4 singles 6-7 (4-7), 6-3, 1-6.

"The boys are working hard and improving every day," said Coach Joe Mau. "We are competitive at every flight and just need to concentrate on the improvement of our skills in practice and the match wins will start to happen."

The tennis team will play at Harbor Springs on Monday, April 29. On Wednesday, May 1, the Vikings will host Charlevoix at 4 p.m.



Photos by Caleb Casey

(Above) Bobby Collin competes in singles tennis action for Grayling on Wednesday. The meet, played against the Northmen of Petoskey, was Grayling's first home tennis meet of the season.



Kalub Fedak (above) and Kyle Roman (below) play against the #1 doubles team from Petoskey last Wednesday in Grayling. The team of Roman and Fedak won the match.



## LEGAL ACTION

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Douglas L. McMurtrie and Sharon L. McMurtrie, husband and wife, to Old Kent Bank, now by various resolutions duly known as Fifth Third Bank, mortgagee, dated April 18, 1996 and recorded April 26, 1996 in Liber 410, Page 388-391, Crawford County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of SEVENTEEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY-FOUR and 4/100 Dollars (\$17,464.04) including

interest at the rate of 11 1/4 per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Crawford County, Michigan, at 10:00 a.m. on May 8, 2002.

The premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lots 197 & 198, AuSable Woods #6, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 4 of plats, page 19, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind

the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: March 28, 2002

Orlans Associates PC

Attorneys for Old Kent Bank now by various resolutions duly known as

Fifth Third Bank

As Mortgagee

2501 Rochester Court

Troy, MI 48063

(248) 457-1000

File No. 200 0313

-28-4-11-18-25

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

Mortgage Sale - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Tammy A. Jackson, an unmarried individual, of 8315 M-18, Roscommon, MI 48653, Mortgagee, to 1st Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, of 502 W. Houghton Avenue, P.O. Box 335, West Branch, MI 48661, Ogemaw County,

Michigan, Mortgagee, August 15, 2000, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on August 24, 2000, in Liber 516, Pages 108-115, of Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of sixty three thousand five hundred ninety and 19/100 Dollars (\$63,590.19).

And no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debts secured by said mortgages or any part thereof. Now, Therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgages, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, May 8, 2002, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, local time, said mortgages will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the Crawford County Courthouse lobby in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgages, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the total amount due, as aforesaid, on said mortgages, with the interest thereon at 8.95% per annum and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises, which said premises are described as follows:

Land situated in the Township of South Branch, in the County of Crawford, and State of Michigan, and described as follows:

A part of the Northwest 1/4 of the

Northwest 1/4, Section 33, Town 25 North, Range 1 West, beginning at the Northwest corner of same and running thence South 0 degrees 45 minutes East along the West line thereof 219.4 feet; thence South 49 degrees 32 minutes East 579.6 feet to the right of way line of Highway M-141; thence North 40 degrees 28 minutes East along same 165 feet; thence North 49 degrees 32 minutes West 724.2 feet to the point of beginning. More commonly known as 8153 M-18, Roscommon, Michigan.

The length of the redemption period as provided by law is six (6) months from the time of sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948 C.L. 600.3241a in which

case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of such sale.

Contact our office at (989) 345-5330 if on active military duty.

Dated at West Branch, Michigan, April 3, 2002.

Dated: March 28, 2002

1st Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, Mortgagee Jennings, Engemann & Benson, P.C.

By: Katrina Benson P-56046

Attorney for Mortgagee

575 Court Street, P.O. Box 487

West Branch, MI 48661

(989) 345-5330

-4-11-18-25

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT #10  
PROPOSED NEW SANITARY HEALTH CODE

Notice is hereby given that on **Tuesday, April 30, 2002 at 2:00 p.m.**, the Board of Public Health for the District Health Department #10 will hold a Public hearing in the "Meeting Room" at the **Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library** located at **201 Plum Street, Grayling, MI 49738**, concerning the proposed new Sanitary Code (proposed to become effective on October 1, 2002). A copy of the proposed new Sanitary Code may be reviewed or purchased at the Crawford County Office, of District Health Department #10 located at 202 Meadows Drive, Grayling, MI, Monday thru Friday during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30.

All interested persons may attend the public meeting and be heard with regard to the proposed new Sanitary Code. Written comments may be submitted to the local health department at the above address.

Board of Public Health for the  
District Health Department #10  
March 28, 2002

-4-11-18-25

## PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing of the Crawford County Planning Commission will be held on Wednesday, May 1, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. in the Circuit Court room of the County Building.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to hear comments on:

Case # SU02-01 Requesting to obtain a Kennel License

Petitioner: John & Laura Sue Bochniak  
95 W. Pioneer Road  
Roscommon, MI 48653

NOTE: 35 letters received requesting approval can be seen at the meeting.

The above case refers to the following described property:

Property Code: 20-050-036-001-035-00  
Property Add: 95 W. Pioneer Road  
Roscommon, MI 48653  
Property Desc: W/2 OF E/2 OF NE/4 OF SEC 36 T25N R3W  
Zoning: LDR

All documents are available at the Crawford County Building & Zoning Department. Comments should be sent to: Building & Zoning Department, 200 W. Michigan Avenue - Annex Building, Grayling, MI 49738.

Joseph Duran - Director

## PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF GRAYLING BUDGET HEARING

The Grayling City Council will hold a public hearing for its 2002-2003 budget on Monday, April 29, 2002 at 7:30 p.m., at the middle school (Ogemaw side entrance). All citizens are invited to attend and provide council with written and/or oral comments and ask questions concerning the city's proposed budget. The proposed budget can be inspected by the public from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday in the city clerk's office at City Hall. Handicapped persons needing assistance should contact the city office before the meeting by calling 348-2131.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing. The discussion at this public hearing will also include consideration of the proposed millage rate to be levied for the 2002-2003 tax year and the relationship of the state equalized value and the taxable value of property and the changes for same between 2001-2002 and 2002-2003. The millage rate proposed in the 2002-2003 budget is 14.8 mills for operation and 0.0 mills for debt retirement. This millage rate is exactly the same as the 2001-2002 millage rate but will result in increased revenues due to increases in state equalized values and taxable values. The City of Grayling has complete authority to set the millage rate for city operations at any level below the charter limit.

Kay Ellen King  
City Clerk

-18-25

## PUBLIC NOTICE

The Grayling Police Department would like to remind citizens of several things:

1. Trash is not to be placed on the city right-of-way prior to noon on the day before trash collection. This would usually be noon on Tuesday, but if a holiday occurs on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, collection day is set back one day and therefore the day to put out trash is also set back by one day. In addition, trash receptacles are to be removed from the right-of-way by no later than midnight of the day of collection.

2. Yard waste is picked up on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month. The next pickup is May 7. All yard waste and containers must be removed from the city right-of-way until the day before pickup.

3. Obstruction of a sidewalk by a vehicle or by any other objects is a violation of state law. This is so pedestrians can use sidewalks with safety.

The Police Department would like to thank everyone for helping to keep our city clean and safe.

Karl Schreiner  
Chief of Police



## LEGAL ACTION

### PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing of the Crawford County Planning Commission will be held on Wednesday, May 1, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. in the Circuit Court room of the County Building.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to hear comments on:

Case # SU02-04 Land Division Layout

Petitioner: North Central Survey, Inc.  
211 W. West Branch Rd., Suite 101  
Prudenville, MI 48651

The above case refers to the following described property:

Property Code: 20-062-031-006-020-00  
Property Add: Roscommon, MI 48653  
Property Desc: THE FRTL NW 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 SEC 31, T25N R2W, EXCEPTING THE WEST 440 FT. 21.09 ACRES M/L.

Zoning: LD-R

All documents are available at the Crawford County Building & Zoning Department. Comments should be sent to: Building & Zoning Department, 200 W. Michigan Avenue - Annex Building, Grayling, MI 49738.

Joseph Duran - Director

### GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE

The Grayling Township Planning Commission will hold PUBLIC HEARINGS beginning at 7:00 p.m., on Tuesday, April 30, 2002, in the Conference Room of the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way (W M-72 Hwy.) Grayling, to receive and review public comment regarding the following requests:

CASE 2002-2: STATE OF MICHIGAN, property owner  
P.O. Box 30028  
Lansing, MI 48909

MARK & DEANNE SWIERCZ, agent,  
prospective purchaser  
1379 McMasters Bridge Rd.  
Grayling, MI 49738

PROPERTY CODE: 20-040-44-032-13-020-00

LOCATION: T27N, R3W, Section 32: That part of the SE 1/4 lying E'ly of the E line of Highway I-75 right-of-way. (140 acres) N of Pinecrest Road and East of Wilcox Bridge Rd.

A request to re-zone from (D-D) Deferred Development to (R-2) Single Family Residential and (C-1) Light Commercial for 4 specific 50'x50' locations for potential placement of billboards along the westerly portion of the property within 100 feet of I-75, or *alternatively* to entirely (R-1) Single Family Residential or (R-2) Single Family Residential.

Re-zoning requested for the purpose of establishing a residential development, and advertising for business, one of which is the development.

CASE 2002-01C: GERALDINE HOOD, petitioner, per 46th Circuit Court opinion #1-5603AV  
1519 Meander  
Grayling, MI 49738

PROPERTY CODE: 20-040-012-09-020-00

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1519 Meander

LOCATION: Section 12, T26N, R4W.

ZONE: Natural River District (NRD)

A request to allow an in-home Bed & Breakfast Establishment as a Conditional Use.

Zoning ordinance, maps and case file are available for inspection at the Grayling Township during regular business hours. Correspondence concerning the request may be directed to Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738. (989) 348-4361 or FAX (989) 348-6713.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.  
Grayling, MI 49738

### KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE INVITATION TO BID

#### CAREER INSTRUCTIONAL CENTER RE-ROOF

Kirtland Community College will receive sealed proposals from qualified bidders for the re-roofing of portions of the Career Instructional Center located on the main campus at 10775 N. St. Helen Road, Roscommon, Michigan.

Proposals may be mailed or delivered to Kirtland Community College, c/o JoAnn Comerford, Director of Physical Plant, Kirtland Community College, 10774 N. St. Helen Road, Roscommon, MI 48653. Proposals must be received prior to 3:00 p.m. (local time) on Tuesday, April 30, 2002. Proposals will be opened and publicly read in the Maintenance Break Room located in the Art/Maintenance Building on the main campus at 3:15 p.m. on Tuesday, April 30, 2002. Kirtland Community College will not consider or accept a bid received after the date and time specified for bid submission. All bids will be evaluated at a later date. The Owner will award the project contract(s) on or about May 6, 2002.

Single proposals will be received for the work of all trades for this project. Kirtland intends award of contract to a contractor for work of all trades. Overall administration of the project will be the responsibility of the contractor.

Bidding documents will be available on or about Friday, April 12, 2002 and will be on file for inspection at the office of DEM Architects & Associates ant at the following locations:

Construction Association of Michigan in Bloomfield Hills, MI  
Construction Market Data Group in Novi, MI  
F.W. Dodge in Flint, MI  
Builders Exchanges in Traverse City, Tri-City (Saginaw), Marquette, Iron Mountain/Kingsford/Delta County (Escanaba) in Michigan  
Northeast Michigan Plan Room in Alpena, MI

A \$25.00 refundable deposit fee and a \$5.00 non-refundable mailing fee per set must be received by DEM Architects & Associates, 970 North Center, Ave., Gaylord, MI 49735 prior to issuance of documents. Please submit separate checks for deposit fee and mailing fee. Refundable deposit fees and non-refundable mailing fees shall be made payable to Kirtland Community College. A maximum of three (3) sets available to each Contractor and one (1) set available to subcontractor.

Bidding document deposits will be refunded following receipt of returned documents provided they are in good and useable condition, under the following conditions:

1. Non-bidders who return complete sets prior to the bid date.
2. Non-successful bidders and all sub-bidders who return complete, undamaged set(s) no later than ten (10) days after the bid opening.

Failure to return bid documents within the specified ten (10) days and/or not in good and useable condition shall forfeit deposit. The successful bidder will be issued additional sets for distribution to their sub-contractors.

Bid security in the amount of five percent (5%) of base bid shall accompany each proposal in the form of a bid bond, cashiers check or money order payable to Kirtland Community College. A personal or company check does not constitute a bid security.

Proposals shall be submitted on the proposal forms provided in the bidding documents and shall be completely filled in and executed in accordance with the contract documents.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish surety bonds as stated in the contract documents.

Performance Bond (100%)  
Labor and Material Payment Bond (100%)

Kirtland Community College reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to accept or other than a low bid, and to waive informalities, irregularities, and/or errors in proposals, which they feel is in their best interest. Bids may not be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days after the opening of bids.

### SYNOPSIS BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP BOARD Regular Meeting April 8, 2002

The regular meeting of the Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present: Riley, Balmes, Moharak, Little and Hartman. There were 12 guests present.

Motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Seconded and carried.

Jerry Hayes who is running in the August primary was present to answer any questions.

Reports given by the Treasurer, Supervisor and a report on Fire Department/DPW & County Planning/Zoning.

There were 10 pieces of correspondence. Old Business:

1. Motion by Balmes to contract with Waste Management for summer cleanup on June 15 and September 21, from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Seconded and carried.

New Business:

1. Motion by Moharak and seconded by Balmes to renew our waste hauling contract with Waste Management with a 3% increase on the per yard charge and a 5% increase in cleanup charges. Motion carried.

2. Motion by Moharak to pay AP bills, seconded and motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.  
Sharon K. Hartman  
Clerk

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THIS PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Ronald McVety and Colleen McVety, husband and wife to Southern Pacific Funding Corporation, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 23, 1998 and recorded on June 30, 1998 in Liber 457, Page 170, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said Mortgage was assigned to Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A. as trustee f/k/a Northwest Bank of Minnesota, N.A. as trustee by an assignment dated November 15, 2001 and recorded November 27, 2001 in Liber 561, Page 151, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty Six Thousand Six Hundred Twenty Four and 76/100 Dollars (\$46,624.76), including interest at 11.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door to the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on Wednesday May 15, 2002.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 54, Holiday Heights Subdivision, Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 1, Page 75 of Plats, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 3, 2002  
Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A. as trustee f/k/a Northwest Bank of Minnesota, N.A. as trustee, Assignee of Mortgage

Attorneys:

Potestivo & Associates, P.C.  
36150 Dequindre Rd. Ste. 620  
Sterling Heights, MI 48310  
(586) 795-4400 Ext. 110  
Our File No: 5374.100

-11-18-25-2-9

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

Notice is hereby given the Default has occurred in the following Mortgages given to the United States of America, acting through

the United States Department of Agriculture:

1. Mortgage given by Bonnie S. Barnes dated October 25, 1994 and recorded on October 25, 1994 in Liber 385 on pages 318 through 321 of the Crawford County Records and:

2. Mortgage given by Delmar E. Gasser and Tina M. Avery dated July 11, 1996 and recorded on July 16, 1996 in Liber 414 on pages 498 through 501 of the Crawford County Records.

No proceeding have been instituted to recover any part of the debt which is now Forty Nine Thousand One Hundred Twenty Three and 23/100 (\$49,123.23) Dollars.

The Mortgages will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public

### PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Grayling Township Zoning Ordinance Update  
6:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 30, 2002  
Grayling Township Hall  
2090 Viking Way (M-72)

A public hearing of the Grayling Township Planning Commission has been scheduled for 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 30, 2002 at the Grayling Township Hall. The purpose of the hearing is to accept comments on the proposed update to the Grayling Township Zoning Ordinance.

All interested persons are invited to attend the hearing and comment on the draft ordinance, which is available for inspection by contacting the township office at 989-348-4361. The township office hours are 8:30-4:30 Monday thru Friday. Written comments may be addressed to Grayling Township Planning Commission, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738-0521 and should be received prior to the public hearing.

### MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE OF PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

NOTICE OF SALE OF SURPLUS LANDS  
LAND TRANSACTION CASE NO. 20000121

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the provisions of Section 2133, Part 21, Subpart 10 of Act 451, P.A. 1994, that the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) proposes to sell the following State-owned land or rights in land by direct sale:

Crawford County, Maple Forest Township, T28N, R3W, Section 4: The West 200 feet of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of Section 4. (17.28 acres)

The proposed sale of this land is being placed on the Natural Resources Commission (NRC) Agenda for public comment prior to being approved by the MDNR Director. The next meeting of the Natural Resources Commission is scheduled at the following date, time and location:

May 9, 2002 • 4:30 P.M.  
Bengel Wildlife Center • 6380 Drumheller Road • Bath, Michigan

Public appearances before the NRC will begin at 4:30 P.M. and may be scheduled by calling Ms. Theresa Gloden, NRC Secretary, at 517-373-2352.

PLEASE NOTE: This notice is *not* a solicitation for bids. Further information concerning this case is available by contacting Ms. Carol Freed, Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Office of Property Management, PO Box 30448, Lansing, MI 48909-7948. Phone 517-241-2438.

### MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP NOTICE FOR BIDS

Maple Forest Township will be accepting bids from persons interested in mowing and trimming the township cemetery and hall grounds. Bids will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. Friday, May 10, 2002 and may be written for multiple years. Bids may be sent to Maple Forest Township, c/o Susan Keene, Township Clerk, at 8802 N. Petersen Rd., Frederic, MI 49733 or dropped off at the township office. For additional information please call 348-5794 or 348-9801.

Maple Forest Township Board reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids, to accept other than a low bid and to make decisions that will be in the best interest of Maple Forest Township.

Susan Keene  
Township Clerk

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING CRAWFORD COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

The Crawford County Road Commission will be holding a Special Meeting May 7, 2002 at 9:00 a.m. at their Grayling office located at 500 Huron Street, P.O. Box 648, Grayling, MI 49738-0648.

Purpose for the meeting is for Labor Negotiations with the Teamsters State, County and Municipal Workers, Local 214, Union Representatives.

Notice posted April 15, 2002

### GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Grayling Township Board will hold PUBLIC HEARINGS on Wednesday, May 8, 2002, in the Conference Room of the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way (W M-72 Hwy), to receive and review public comment regarding the following requests:

6:30 p.m.: Property owners on Woodland Drive, Palmer Place and Short Street. Section 28, T27N, R3W. Involving lots in AuSable Woods #2 and #5.

Grayling Township has received a petition from a majority of property owners of frontage on above named roads requesting that a Special Assessment District be created to pave Woodland Drive and a portion of Palmer Place. If you are a property owner on the above named roads or use same for access to your property, please attend this hearing or provide comments in writing in order to protect your rights of appeal.

7:00 p.m.: All residents and property owners of Grayling Township.

Great Lakes Energy Cooperative is requesting renewal of a 30 year franchise to market and/or supply electricity and electrical services to customers within Grayling Township through and over existing and/or future transmission lines and equipment owned and operated by an authorized public utility under a franchise with Grayling Township and located within the township limits, and to do electrical business as an electrical power marketer and third party supplier of electricity in Grayling Township. They also request the authority to construct and maintain electrical equipment in Grayling Township.

Case files regarding the above requests are available for inspection at the Grayling Township Hall during regular business hours. Correspondence concerning the requests may be directed to: Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738. Phone (989) 348-4361 or FAX (989) 348-6713.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.  
Grayling Township

auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on May 1, 2002, at 10:00 a.m., local time, at the front door to the County Building in Grayling, Michigan which is the location of the Crawford County Circuit Court. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgages, including interest at the rate of 7.25% per year, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.

The property to be sold is located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan and is more specifically described in the Mortgages as:

Lot 18, Red Wing Terrace, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 04 of Plats, Page 22, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale unless the property is deemed to be abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a in which case the redemption period will expire thirty (30) days from the date of the sale.

Dated: March 28, 2002  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
Acting Through the Rural Development  
Agency, F/K/A the Farmers Home  
Administration, of the United States  
Department of Agriculture.

Prepared by:  
John R. Tucker (P37346)  
Winegarden, Haley, Lindholm &  
Robertson, P.L.L.C.  
G-9460 S. Saginaw Street, Suite A  
Grand Blanc, Michigan 48439  
(810) 767-3600

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### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY (248) 362-5459 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Bill Prescott, single person of Crawford County, Michigan, Mortgagor to Flagstar Bank, FSB dated the 4th day of August A.D. 2000, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 16th day of August, A.D. 2000, in Liber 515 of Crawford Records, on page 238, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of \$123,060.05 (one hundred twenty three thousand sixty dollars and five cents) including interest there on at 11.62% (eleven point sixty two) percent per annum.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, the 1st day of May, A.D. 2002, at 10:00 a.m. o'clock said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the county building, in Grayling, Michigan, Crawford County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of South Branch, in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 20, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, described as Commencing at the Southeast Corner of said Section 20 for a Point of Beginning; Thence North 89 degrees 26 Minutes 00 Seconds West on the Section Line, 237.00 Feet; Thence North 00 degrees 02 Minutes 00 Seconds East, 300.00 feet; Thence South 89 Degrees 26 Minutes 00 Seconds East, 239.10 feet; Thence South 00 Degrees 24 Minutes 00 Seconds West on Section Line, 300.00 Feet to the Point of Beginning.

Tax ID: 062-020-016-040-07  
The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 28, 2002  
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.  
By: Daniel E. Best (P-58501)  
Attorney for Assignee of Mortgagee  
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.  
755 W. Big Beaver Rd., Ste. 310  
Troy, MI 48064

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### STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate File No. 02-6422-DE

Estate of Lewis E. Worth., date of birth June 4, 1933

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:  
The decedent, Lewis E. Worth, who lived at 4948 Sleepy Hollow Drive, Roscommon, Michigan died January 30, 2002.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Patricia Parrish, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: April 12, 2002  
John P.S. Miller P 30879  
P.O. Box 287  
Roscommon, MI 48653  
(989) 275-4311

Patricia Parrish  
4948 Sleepy Hollow Drive  
Roscommon, MI 48653

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# FEATURES

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

### 23 Years Ago April 26, 1979

A major move in Grayling Mercy Hospital construction program took place last Thursday when six heating and air-conditioning units were lifted into place onto the roof of the new addition.

A Sunday afternoon fall storm late in 1977 tore Crawford County apart and demolished the Eagles Club building located on M-72 West. Determined to replace the structure, Eagles Club members have been hard at work ever since. Gallant efforts on the part of the membership has resulted in the construction of a new facility on the same site. A Grand Re-opening celebration is planned for this weekend.

### 46 Years Ago April 26, 1956

The first annual AuSable Bowfishing Carnival drew nearly 200 archers into Grayling last weekend to participate in a shoot for suckers along the AuSable River from US 27 downstream to Burton's Landing. It was estimated that about 400 of the rough fish who compete with trout for food in the river were taken by the archer's.

To Will Splan, Petoskey track coach and state underwater swimming champ, went the honor of spearing the biggest sucker during the two-day meet. His fish, a three pound, 11 ounce fish, won him awards for heaviest and longest fish categories in Saturday's competitions. In Sunday's event Bob Smock, Grayling, with a two pound, 14 ounce fish won the weight category.

Howard Hatfield with a 19 and three-quarter inch fish won the longest fish category. Dale Rhode, of Grayling, won the smallest fish category with an almost unbelievable entry, a sucker weighing one quarter of an ounce.

Annual perch supper Friday night. As in past year's Grant Thompson and Clarence Roberts will rule the kitchen so everyone is assured a fine meal. Harvey Rowland holds sway over the dining room and Elmer Fenton will rule the sink. If the boys have any luck that week there may be a choice of fresh smelt instead of perch.

Art Clough, owner of the Clough Insurance Agency and Real Estate announced today that he had sold the insurance portion of his business to William Sorenson of Karen Woods. Mr. Clough stated that the sale was necessary in order that he might give more time to his ever growing and expanding real estate brokerage.

As in past year's the Grayling Public Schools will be closed on Friday afternoon, April 27th so that students and parents can attend the annual Kalkaska Trout Festival. The Grayling High School Band will take part in the parade.

### 69 Years Ago April 27, 1933

It's the talk of the town, the interest and enthusiasm that is being manifested by nearly every citizen in making our streets look as clean and attractive as possible this summer. Everyone is being very generous in giving his time, talent and labor in making Grayling a beauty spot this season. Work has already been started on the Public Park, and Mr.

Harold Cliff is overseeing the planting of trees along the highway. "Plant a Pine Tree" will be a slogan for Grayling this spring. Fourteen hundred small pine trees were given away at the Garden Exchange Wednesday afternoon. It is hoped that at least one of these trees will be planted in each yard. The Civic Improvement League has grown almost overnight into a large, active organization. The League has over 120 names of members at present.

Basketball had a revival last Friday night as a fairly small crowd witnessed a Lumberjack triumph over the Grayling High School Seniors - all those athletes whose competition concludes this June. The score was 36-21. The object was to obtain awards for the boys who wind up their careers under the green and white. Neal, H. LaGrow, May, Hendrickson, R. Harrison, Brady and Korhonen comprised the Lumberjacks, while J. LaGrow, Gothro, SanCartier, Marshall, Winterlee, B. LaGrow, Sheehy and Knibbs played on the Seniors team.

Yesterday's cold weather brought snow flurries in the morning and again in the evening. Although it didn't last, the cold has remained.

The Grayling Laundry feels very fortunate and are high in their praise of the Grayling Fire Department for their good work last Friday afternoon when the roof of the laundry building was discovered on fire. It was caused from sparks from the chimney that alighted on the roof. It was a windy day and some serious damage might have resulted if it had not been for the fast work of the firemen.

### 92 Years Ago April 28, 1910

Miss Helen Johnson, whom we claim as a Grayling girl, has accept-

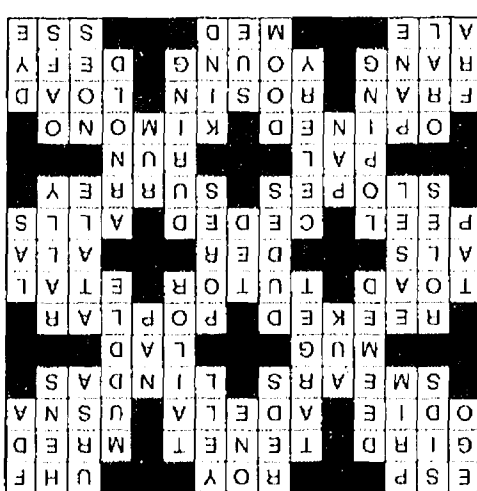
ed the position of instructor of science and mathematics in the high school at Gaylord.

H. C. McKinley, who has been helping us out during our enforced rest, was obliged to return to his home in Gaylord last Thursday and we learn that his physicians ordered him to rest.

T. W. Hanson is planting 200 more trees along the "Boulevard" which will reach from the mill plant to the cemetery. Of 299 planted last year only one was lost, and the clover seeding along the sides of the road is coming on finely. It will be the popular drive from the village around their lumber plant and past the chemical plant, on the other side of the railroad.

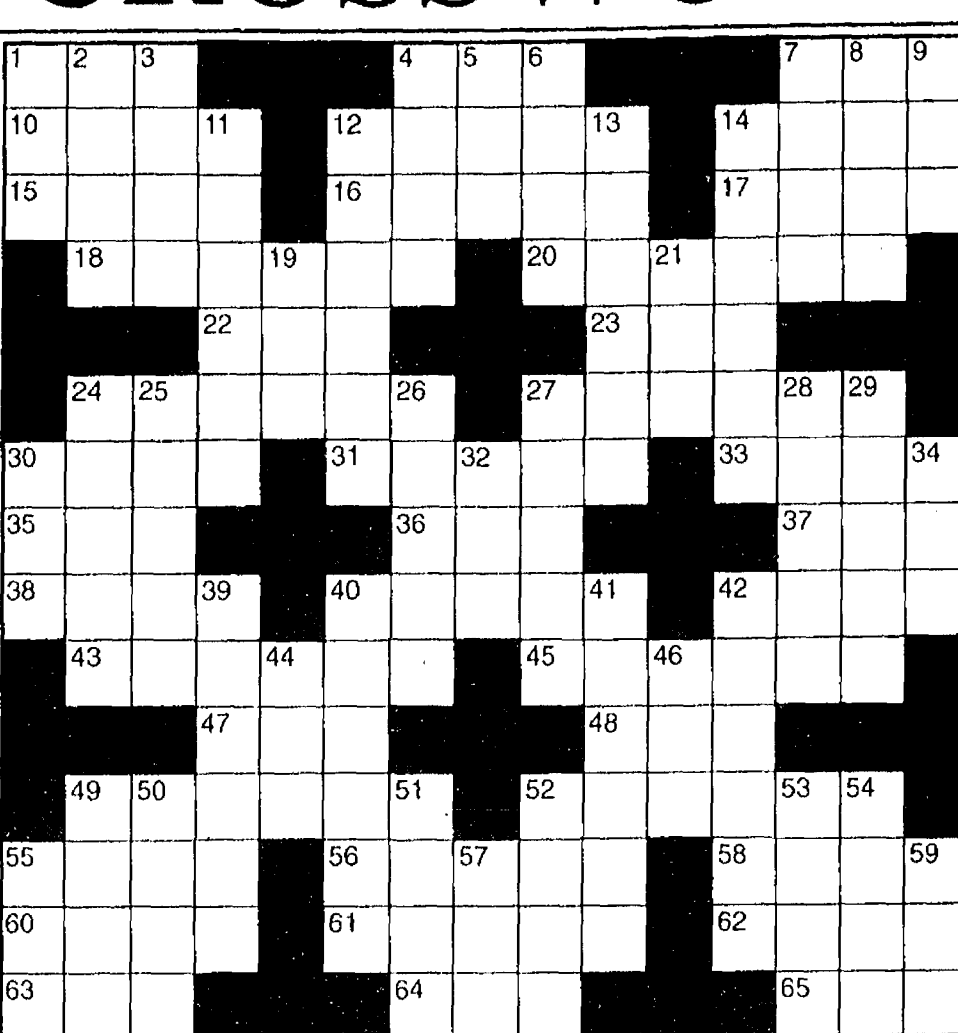
Superintendent Whitney reports the present school enrollment to be about 430. High school enrolled 46.

Tony Nelson tried to walk on the water while on one of the school's physical geography trips, but it proved a failure and he found the water to be quite wet. Youngsters often amuse us with peculiar stunts, but for real foolishness, leave that to a six-foot freshman.



ANSWERS

## CROSSWORD



### ACROSS

1. Geller's claim to fame: abbr.
4. Rob \_\_\_\_\_ (cocktail)
7. TV choice
10. Strengthen
12. Creed
14. Wilbur's stable friend
15. Garfield's friend
16. Miss Quested of *A Passage to India*
17. Jimmy Carter's alma mater: abbr.
18. Slanders
20. Lavin and Blair
22. Impromptu pencil holder
23. Youth
24. Stank to high heaven
27. Type of tree
30. Despicable one
31. Instruct
33. List abbr.
35. Pacino et al.
36. German article
37. Montgomery's state: abbr.
38. Shuck
40. Handed over
42. "\_\_\_\_\_ right with the world" (Browning)

### DOWN

43. Inclines
45. Country carriage
47. Good buddy
48. *Midnight* \_\_\_\_\_
49. Supposed
52. Site for an obi
55. She came between Kukla and Ollie
56. Colophony
58. Weight
60. Sounded
61. *Forever* \_\_\_\_\_ (Dylan tune)
62. Withstand
63. English export
64. Doctor's practice: abbr.
65. Compass dir.
12. Bull's-eye
13. Sartor
14. Disorder
19. North Sea bird
21. Hit the hammock
24. Character parts
25. Painting 101 prop
26. City slickers
27. Small openings
28. \_\_\_\_\_ of *Two Cities*
29. Motorcycle race
30. Sammy Davis, Jr.'s last film
32. Danson or Knight
34. *Viva* \_\_\_\_\_ Vegas
39. Running easily
40. Crunchy snack
41. Throughout
42. "The Scholar-Gipsy" poet
44. Caprine god
46. Tropical drink base
49. Evangelist Roberts
50. Sheet of stamps
51. Condemn
52. *A New \_\_\_\_\_ of Love* (Newman film)
53. Denials
54. Churls
55. Monk's title
57. Petition
59. Artificial coloring

### ANSWERS ON THIS PAGE



Thai  
Peanut Chicken

## RECIPE OF THE WEEK

- 1/2 cup peanut butter
- 1/3 cup honey
- 1/4 cup soy sauce
- 2 Tbsp. curry powder
- 2 cloves garlic, minced

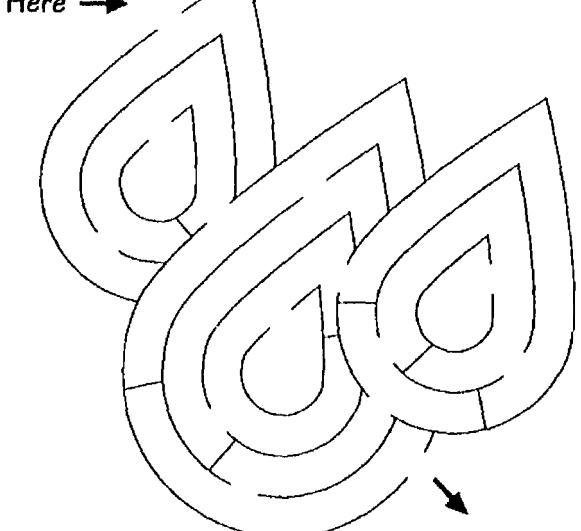
Blend peanut butter with honey and soy sauce until smooth. Stir in curry powder and garlic; blend well. Place chicken in a large plastic bag. Pour peanut butter mixture over chicken and mix well. Close bag and chill at

least 2 hours.

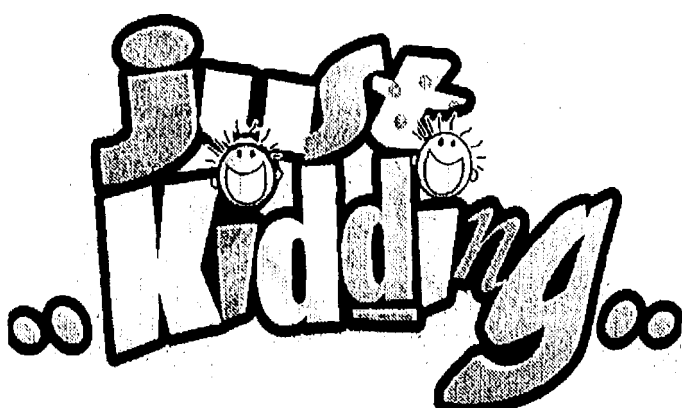
Remove chicken and broil or grill over medium heat, 4 to 6 inches from heat. Turn chicken and brush with marinade occasionally while cooking. (Do not brush with any more marinade less than 10 minutes before chicken is done.) Cook until chicken is no longer pink in thickest part (cut to test), 15 to 30 minutes, depending on size and piece.

## MAZE

Start Here →



April Showers



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around for  
75 years.

## SEEK AND FIND

FIND THESE WORDS IN THE PUZZLE BELOW.

- |       |          |        |
|-------|----------|--------|
| CALF  | DUCKLING | KITTEN |
| CHICK | FAWN     | LAMB   |
| COLT  | JOEY     | POULT  |
| CUB   | KID      | PUPPY  |

THE WORDS READ UP, DOWN AND ACROSS.

W E T R Y P O D I X  
K C U B L P O U L T  
J H H G D S A C A C  
K I T T E N N K M M  
B C V C D F T L B Y  
P K I D J F O I I U  
L H F C O L T N D S  
U Y T R E A W G Q A  
P U P P Y C Z A S D  
I O P M G F A W N F

## Adopt a Pet



Frankie was named after Frank Sinatra because of his stunning and handsome blue eyes. He is a very happy, friendly and loving 2 to 3-year old neutered male. There are many dogs and cats waiting for adoption at the Animal Shelter of Crawford County. Please call 348-4117 for more information on Frankie or any other animal. Or, e-mail: animal\_director@yahoo.com.

The Animal Shelter is gearing up for the big adoption event at the zoo in Detroit the weekend of May 4-5. Our animals are all being spayed and neutered to go to the zoo and on to new homes. Our adoption prices have gone up on spayed or neutered animals and it is now \$125 to adopt a dog that is already spayed or neutered and has had all of its shots. To see what animals are up for adoption at the shelter, log on to: [asc.petfinder.com](http://asc.petfinder.com) today! Also, don't forget to sign up for Glen's eScrip program, our group number is 34024..

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at:  
508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling  
Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall

Winter Hours: Mon. - Sat. 9am - 1pm; Sun. and Holidays 8am - 11am  
After hour appointments available.

## HOROSCOPES

For the Week of April 25, 2002



December 22-  
January 19

New information comes to light which may alter your feelings and opinions. Don't be afraid to seek out others for help and guidance. Patience pays off in the long run.



March 21-  
April 19

It may be time to consider a major purchase, but be sure you have all the facts. A situation from the past returns, but this time you're ready! Keep exercising.



June 22-  
July 22

You accomplish more working behind the scenes. Let others take the credit—someone in authority knows what really happened. Be open to new and unusual ideas.



September 23-  
October 22

Travel or a short outing could be waiting for you. Accept people and situations as they are and strive to keep an open mind when someone seeks your help solving a puzzle.



January 20-  
February 18

Recognize your strengths and weaknesses. A situation you've avoided will turn out in your favor. An evening out with friends or family may be just what's needed. Go ahead a splurge a little.



April 20-  
May 20

Keep the communication lines open with friends and family members. Don't worry about the future—deal with the present first. Look inside yourself for the answers.



July 23-  
August 22

Show appreciation for those who have stuck by you. It may be just the boost they need. Someone you admire returns the feelings. Examine a budget issue closely.



October 23-  
November 21

Someone you think is a roadblock actually is working on your behalf. Spend more time at home and catch up on chores you've been putting off. Remember a special date or a special person.



November 19-  
December 18

Adjust your life to spend more time with those close to you. Clear away any standing obligations and take care of small problems before they grow out of hand. Pay more attention to your diet.



January 19-  
February 18

It's time to reveal your feelings and discuss differences of opinion with someone close to you. Communicate with someone from your past.



March 21-  
April 19

You feel pulled in many directions. Don't try to do everything—choose what is important and do that first. Some quiet time alone helps you sort things out.



May 21-  
June 20

Now is the time to express your opinions. You'll discover what's happening behind the scenes. Use it to your advantage. Monitor health issues.

## WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

### Last Week

| Date | H  | L  | Rain  | Snow |
|------|----|----|-------|------|
| 4/17 | 86 | 65 |       |      |
| 4/18 | 79 | 37 | .01   |      |
| 4/19 | 85 | 41 | .55   |      |
| 4/20 | 55 | 30 | .02   |      |
| 4/21 | 49 | 27 |       |      |
| 4/22 | 39 | 27 | .02   | .1   |
| 4/23 | 39 | 21 | Trace |      |

### Extended Forecast

(Courtesy of the Weather.com)

| Wednesday         | Thursday          | Friday            | Saturday          | Sunday            | Monday            |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| High 57<br>Low 31 | High 46<br>Low 27 | High 54<br>Low 27 | High 56<br>Low 31 | High 58<br>Low 31 | High 57<br>Low 32 |
| Showers           | Partly Cloudy     | Mostly Cloudy     | Scattered Showers | Partly Cloudy     | Partly Cloudy     |



# ADVERTISING CLASSIFIED

**Classifieds must be paid for in advance**  
**Display Advertising Rate - \$6.00 per column inch**  
**Deadline for Display Classifieds - 12 noon, Monday**  
**Classifieds by the word rate - \$4.20 for 15 words or less, 10¢ per each additional word; includes Internet listing:**  
[www.townnews.com/avalanche/](http://www.townnews.com/avalanche/)  
**Classified by the word deadline - 12 noon, Tuesday**

## Crawford County Avalanche

### 1. Real Estate

**HOUSE FOR SALE** One bedroom in Roscommon village. \$27,000. (989) 578-3598. (-25-2/1)

**MANY NORTHERN MICHIGAN PROPERTIES** www.century21grayling.com (1/7/99)(1/1)



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### 1. Real Estate

**H.U.D. APPROVED** two, three, and four bedroom homes. Immediate occupancy, financing not a problem. Call (989) 344-8810 or toll free 866-615-9511. (3/8/01)(1/1)

**COMMERCIAL BUILDING FOR SALE** on north I-75 Business Loop (N. Old 27) in Grayling Township. 200 ft. frontage, 40 x 90 building, 800 sq. ft. of warehouse/shop area. Single phase electric. Zoned commercial on Class A road. \$139,500. Hamrick Real Estate Co., P.C. Phone or fax (989) 348-5433. (4/11/02)(1/1)

**SALE BY OWNER COMMERCIAL BUILDING** on I-75 Bus. Loop, 1750 sq. ft., HVAC, 220 3 phase, 2 restrooms. Presently a restaurant. **Call 517-422-4681**

### 1. Real Estate

**200' NORTH BRANCH FRONTAGE** Two plus acres vacant. (989) 348-9388. (-18-25-2/2)

**1993 FAIRMONT MOBILE HOME** 16 foot x 60 foot, must move. Three bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, fireplace, inlaid wood, \$16,300. (231) 585-7605. (-25-2-9/1)

**VACANT WOODED LAND** Land Contract Terms \$7,500. (989) 348-7355. (11/8/01)(1/1)

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### 1. Real Estate

**NEW, STICK BUILT** three bedroom, two car attached, 2 1/2 acres, \$92,000. (989) 348-4840. (-4-11-18-25/1)

**GOLF COURSE BUILDING LOTS** for sale. All lots are one to two acres. \$29,000 to \$49,000. Skyline Ski and Country Club. (989) 275-5445 (9/27/01)(1/1)

### 2. For Rent

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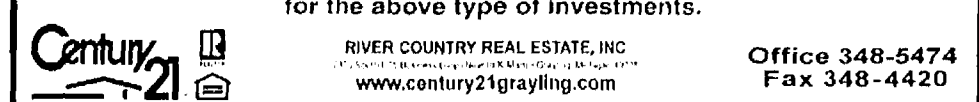
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**HOUSE FOR SALE**  
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 Property is located at: 348 Red Tailed Hawk Loop, Grayling, MI  
 The sale will be held at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan which is the location of the Crawford County Circuit Court  
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 Property sells "As Is"  
 The house is a 3 bedroom, 1 bath home  
 Lot Size: 28750 sq. ft.  
 The foreclosure sale is subject to a six (6) month redemption period unless a notice is received pursuant to MCL §600.3241a(1)(c) in which case the redemption period will expire thirty (30) days from the date of the sale.  
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**Nice home with 3-car garage!** This 2 bedroom, 1 bath home is just minutes from Grayling. Freshly painted, with a large 28 x 40 foot garage, a 6 x 28 foot deck, and 11 x 28 foot car port. Garage is heated, and also has a 9 x 12 foot ceiling and 9 x 12 foot entry door. \$59,900 #221167

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**Home on "Holy Waters"!** On the "flea-only" stretch of the Holy Waters of the AuSable River above Stephan Bridge, close to the water with a secluded board walk to the dock. This 3 bedroom, 2 bath home has many original Rittenhouse log furnishings. Must see! \$259,000 #220556

**Just Listed**  
**Nicely Priced Mobile!** 14x70 mobile home with 5x12 expando. Newer septic, newer pump and tank, 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Fresh paint, and includes stove and refrigerator. Dead end road. In neighborhood close to town. \$32,900 #221106

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**157 on the Manistee River!** Beautiful river frontage and private surrounding just begins to describe the setting for this 3 bedroom, 1 bath cabin on the Manistee River. The front lawn welcomes you to the river's edge to enjoy your new getaway. Sellers are licensed Real Estate agents. \$139,500 #13919

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**Great Little Cabin!** Great 1 bedroom, 1 bath cabin for that weekend get-away or possible rental income. Close to the AuSable River. Resting on 2.5 acres, there is lots of room to expand. Great potential for that up-north hideaway. \$32,500 #20188

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### 3. Employment

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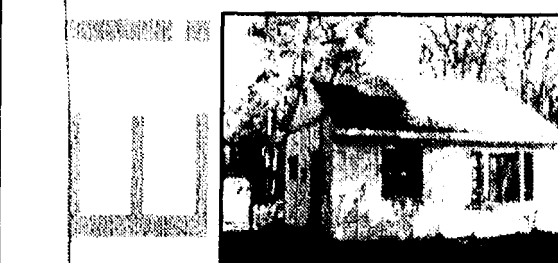
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One bedroom cabin in good condition; has path bath, well with hand pump; electricity to cabin & electric heat. The property is wooded with hardwoods and some pines. Nice setting! Located approximately 1/4 mile from state land. \$22,900 #4886



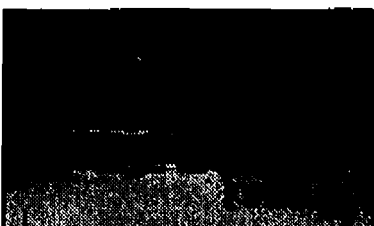
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Motivated seller! Great mobile features fireplace, hot tub room, extensive decking & garage. Nice location with the mainstream of the AuSable just 1/2 mile north of property. Near state land & snowmobile trails. Handicap accessible. \$37,000 #4883



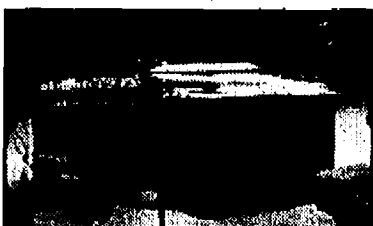
This is the perfect location for a remote get away or hunting camp. Situated on a ten acre parcel, it includes a 30 x 40 pole barn with double over head doors and also includes a 10 x 30 mobile home. Nice rolling terrain. Call for more details! \$39,900 #4925



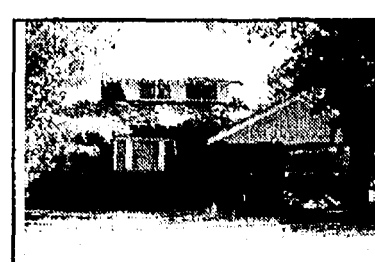
Four Bedroom Country Home is bordered on 3 sides by state land. Features nice size bedrooms, newer vinyl windows and siding. Land features hardwoods and fruit trees along with extensive landscaping. \$87,500 #4935



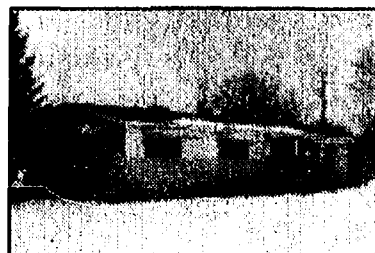
Very clean 2-3 bedroom home/cottage located very close to state land and the Higgins Lake Recreational area. Features enclosed screened porch, kitchen/dining combo and woodstove. This home has been very well maintained. \$59,000 #4917



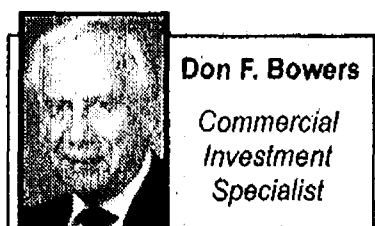
Older mobile home has an 8 x 12 addition, also includes 16 x 20 shed. Property is located in the Village of Frederic within walking distance to shopping and night life. Sits on a full foundation with vinyl siding. \$12,900 #4926



This spacious home has 10 foot ceilings in the downstairs, "Victorian Elegance" with a glass chandelier in the dining room, new appliances, 4 year old furnace & central air. Upstairs remodeled w/all new vinyl windows & drywall. \$124,500 #4895



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**BUDWEISER HOLIDAY MUG** First year \$150 firm. (989) 344-2177 after 5 p.m. (-25/5)

**GOING TO THE PROM?** J. Dap Tuxedo Rental has the Tux for you!! Come in now for the best selections. The closer it gets to the prom the less choices you have! For only a \$10 deposit we can reserve the Tux that you want! J. Dap Tuxedo Rental is located at 118 Michigan Ave., in Grayling. Call (989) 348-4011 for more details. (-11-18-25/5)

**CYCLOPS WIND TRAINER** Excellent condition, asking \$100. Call (989) 348-2751. (1/24/02)(7/5)

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**250 SNOWMOBILES**, trailers, atvs, jet skis, at auction. Saturday, May 4 at 9am. Buy or sell. America's largest. Information at www.snowmobileauktion.com or call recording at 517-369-1153. Terms: cash, no checks accepted. White Star Snowmobile Auction, US12 Bronson, Michigan.

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### 5. For Sale

**BUY NOW AND SAVE** Dry Oak and Maple firewood. Ready to burn. \$40/face cord. Discount on 15 cord or more. Call Chris (989) 348-1870. (LR5/23/02/5)

**CHAMPION 10 HORSE**, 5000 watt generator, electric start. \$500. Two years old. Hot Point refrigerator/freezer. \$275. One year old. Whirlpool (special edition) electric dryer, three cycle, one year old. \$225. Whirlpool heavy duty washer, five cycle. One year old \$275. (989) 348-6209 after 6 p.m. (-25-2/5)

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**MANISTEE RIVER PROPERTY OWNERS** seeking space on Lake Margrethe to dock or auger pontoon boat. Call (989) 348-6624 and leave message or 1-734-455-7431. (-4-11-18-25-2/6)

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**FOSTER PARENTS NEEDED** Boysville of Michigan is seeking families in Cadillac, Grayling, Cheboygan and throughout Northern Michigan to join our team, providing safe, loving homes for children ages 10-17 years. As a team member of Boysville of Michigan you will receive weekly support services, biweekly compensation and ongoing training. If you are interested in joining a professional team and opening your heart and home in caring for children. Please call 1 (800) 235-9664. (LR7/11/02/6)

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### 7. Miscellaneous

**SIGNS AND LETTERING** for business, boats, trucks, trailers, any size, any color. Call Pete Kocenas (989) 348-8627 or 1-800-848-1268. (4/25/02)(7/7)

### 8. Announcements

**SKYLINE RESTAURANT SPECIALS** Thursday Nite 8 oz. Prime Rib Dinner \$8.95. Friday nite Lake Perch dinner \$10.99. Pan Fried Walleye Dinner \$11.99. Baked Cod Filet dinner \$9.95. Deep Fried Cod Basket \$5.99. Saturday Nite BBQ Rib Dinner \$8.95. 1/2 slab \$11.95, full slab. All dinners are served with soup, salad, vegetable and potatoes. Sunday, Nascar food and drink specials. (989) 275-5445. (2/28/02)(7/8)

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\$25<sup>00</sup> each / Wood  
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**CURVES FOR WOMEN** Mother's Day Special. \$99 which includes service fee and two months. Mom would love it. Gift certificates available 10815 S. I-75 Business Loop, Suite A. (989) 348-1055. (-25/8)

### 8. Announcements

**NEW FROM YANKEE CANDLE** at J. Dap Co. Gift Store. Fresh new candle scents! Clean Cotton, Coconut Bay, Pineapple Paradise, Ocean Water and Blueberry Muffin! Also new are the fragranced sachet packets, available in 9 of the most popular scents. These are great and have many uses! J. Dap Co. is located at 118 Michigan Ave. in Grayling. (-25-2/9/8)

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**GRAYLING COUNTRY CLUB NEWS** On May 1 at 8:30 a.m., there will be a meeting of the Wednesday Morning Ladies League at the Grayling Country Club. This League is looking for women, who are members of the Club, to join our group. If you are interested in joining this league, please contact Evelyn Kent at (989) 348-5296 or Shirley Bendig at (989) 348-8993. Following the meeting, weather permitting, we play golf for "fun" giving you the opportunity to meet the ladies. Official league play will begin on May 8. (-25/8)

**AVALANCHE OFFICE HOURS:** Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 102 Michigan Avenue, Grayling - (989) 348-6811

### 8. Announcements

**CONIFERS, HARDWOODS & SHRUBS:** (seedlings and transplants) Fir, pines, spruce, oaks, maples, dogwoods, cedars, ash and berry & flowering bushes. Roscommon County Fairgrounds-Friday, April 26, noon - 4 p.m., and Saturday, April 27, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. For further info, call the Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District at (989) 275-5231. (-28-4-11-18-25/8)

**THE PAPER DOLLS** Scrapbook & Rubberstamp Club! When: Every Other Wednesday. Time: 5 - 9 p.m. Where: Days Inn, Grayling. Cost will vary depending upon attendance. 2002 Paper Doll Schedule. April 24, May 8, 22, June 5, 19, July 3, 17, 31, August 14, 28, September 11, 25, October 9, 23, November 6, 20, December 4, & 18. (-18-25-2/8)

### 10. Garage Sale

**GARAGE SALE** at Milltown Carpet, across from Aunt Betty's Restaurant, 6264 M-72 West. Phone (989) 348-8322. Starting April 24, 2002, from 9-4. (-25/10)

**EVERYTHING MUST GO!** Friday and Saturday, April 25 and 26, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Grayling, N. Down River Rd. to Roberts Road, North to N. Park Dr., #106, second house on right. Miscellaneous Orthopedic equipment: (1) professional hospital bed (three months old), (3) walkers, (1) shower chair, canes, exercise bike, (3) wheelchairs, toilet seat extensions. Miscellaneous household goods, ceramic, books, molds and many other items. (-25/10)

### 10. Garage Sale

**GARAGE SALE** Three miles west of Grayling at Terry's Sport Center. Something for everyone. Everyday 9-5 until April 30. (-18-25/10)

**MOVING SALE** Washer, table and chairs, desk, night stand, microwave and stand, snowmobile and much more. 4644 Old 27 N. Frederic. Now until April 29. (989) 344-1948. (-25/10)

### 11. Automotive

**1992 OLDS '98** Regency Elite. 76,000 original miles, one owner, excellent condition. \$4,800. (989) 348-7278. (-25-2/11)

**1995 FORD WINDSTAR** 111,000 miles. Power windows/doors, A/C, cruise, runs good, looks good. \$4,000. (989) 275-7078. (-18-25/11)

**2000 F-250 Super Duty Crew Cab** 4 x 4. \$21,500. (989) 348-4156. (-25-2-9-16/11)

**1991 OLDS CUTLASS CIERA** 3.3 liter power, A.C., 135,000 miles. Runs great, body real good. (989) 348-8833. \$2,000. (-25/11)

**1998 DODGE DURANGO SLT** White, CD, cassette, tow package, third row seat, 70,000 miles. Excellent condition. \$15,900 or best offer. Call (989) 344-0484. (-11-18-25-2/11)

**1989 PONTIAC SUNBIRD \$850.** 1979 Chevy pick-up, 4wd, \$950. 1988 Chevy S-10 Blazer, V6, 5-speed, \$950. 1979 Chevy pick-up 1/2 ton. \$750. 1979 Toyota Odyssey motor home, needs work. \$950. O.B.O. (989) 619-0839. (-25/11)

**1999 FORD RANGER SPORT-SIDE** Extended cab, four door, four wheel drive, off road package, loaded. New tires and brakes, tonneau cover, bedliner and hitch. 39,000 miles. \$13,900. Call (989) 348-8659 evenings, leave message. (4/11/02)(7/11)

**1998 PONTIAC MONTANA** Four door, loaded, 65,000 miles. Asking \$12,500. Days (989) 348-7513, evenings (989) 348-7746. (-18-25/11)

**1992 CHEVY SILVERADO Z-71** 4 x 4 extended cab, asking \$6,500. Call (989) 348-4464. (-25-2/11)

### 8. Announcements

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### 9. Personals

**HAPPY SWEET 16 TONY THOMAS APRIL 30th**

You are truly one of a kind. You are so special to us.



We love you very much!  
Love, Daddy, Mom,  
Joyce & Jeff

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# HUGE USED CAR BLOWOUT!

**98 PONTIAC BONNEVILLE SSE**  
Loaded! Power windows, leather, leather up display, it's got it all! Under 20,000 miles. #18141 Was \$18,988  
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**00 BUICK CENTURY**  
Power windows, V6, really a nice 4 door Sedan for less than an economy car! #18791 Was \$13,988  
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**01 CHRYSLER PT CRUISER**  
Limited with leather, power sunroof, full power, loaded. Very hot INFERNO RED color! Only 9,000 miles! What a deal! #18186-1 Was \$20,988  
Blowout Price \$16,988  
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**99 BUICK LESABRE**  
Sand Beige with lots of equipment! Clean as a whistle! #18661  
Was \$16,988  
Starting at \$13,988  
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**98 BUICK PARK AVENUE**  
Beautiful car, equipped, not shipped. Leather, all the goodies! #4716-1  
Was \$16,988  
Blowout Price \$13,988  
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**99 CADILLAC SEVILLE**  
Really sharp with leather and all of the options! You gotta see this one! #7205 Was \$23,988  
Blowout Price \$19,988  
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**99 CHRYSLER CONCORDE**  
WOW - a really clean, one owner trade with only 20,000 miles! #18107-1. Was \$16,988  
Blowout Price \$14,988  
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**2001 CHEVY IMPALA**  
#4823, Red with Gray Interior, Power Seats, Windows, Locks, CD, Tilt, Cruise & More! Was \$18,488  
Blowout Price \$16,488  
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**1999 SATURN SCION WAGON**  
Really clean and sharp! Power windows, locks, CD, auto mail, air! #4859 Was \$12,988  
Blowout Price \$10,988  
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**1999 CHEVY MALIBU LS**  
with leather, rear spoiler, V6, really sharp! #4859  
Was \$11,988  
Blowout Price \$10,488  
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**2001 SATURN SLT 4 DR. SEDAN**  
Auto, air, and believe it or not, 8,000 miles! #4855 Was \$13,988  
Blowout Price \$12,488  
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**1998 CADILLAC CATERA**  
Power windows, Bose CD, leather, loaded and clean! Only 29,000 miles. #4855 Was \$17,988  
Blowout Price \$15,988  
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**2001 PONTIAC GRAND PRIX GT SEDAN**  
#4822, WOW! Leather, Power Moon Roof, The Works! A lot less than a New One! Was \$19,988  
Blowout Price \$17,988  
Not a Mistake!

**01 CHEVROLET CAMARO CONVERTIBLE**  
WOW! Bright red, black top! Ready for summer! Air you? #4831  
Was \$21,988  
Blowout Price \$19,988  
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**00 BUICK PARK AVENUE**  
Beautiful clean car and what a value! Leather! Loaded! Factory Warranty! Must be seen! #18716-1  
Was \$21,988  
Blowout Price \$19,988  
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**00 CHEVY MALIBU**  
V6, fully equipped and nice! #4831  
Was \$12,988  
Blowout Price \$11,488  
Not a Mistake!

**00 PONTIAC BONNEVILLE SE**  
Leather, power moon roof, wheel! Must See! #4842  
Was \$20,988  
Blowout Price \$18,988  
Not a Mistake!

**1999 PONTIAC GRAND AM SE**  
4 dr., V6, CD, spoiler and red! #4852  
Was \$12,988  
Blowout Price \$11,988  
Not a Mistake!

**1999 CHEVY MONTE CARLO Z34**  
Leather, CD, sharp! #18581  
Was \$13,988  
Blowout Price \$12,488  
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**95 OLDSMOBILE CUTLASS SUPREME SL**  
4 dr., with leather, red in color with lots of fresh Good tires, brakes, ready to go! #4816 Was \$8,488  
Blowout Price \$6,988  
Not a Mistake!

**00 PRIZM**  
Auto with air! A great economy car! #4785  
Was \$11,988  
Blowout Price \$8,988  
Not a Mistake!

**95 BUICK LESABRE**  
Nice car and priced right! Don't miss on this one! #4803  
Was \$5,988  
Blowout Price \$4,488  
Not a Mistake!

**97 BUICK LESABRE**  
Very Clean and Sharp for a price you won't be able to pass up! Don't miss this one! #18335-1  
Was \$11,988  
Blowout Price \$8,988  
Not a Mistake!

**1991 PONTIAC GRAND PRIX SE**  
#4820, 2 Door Coupe, Really Sharp! Lower Ground Effects, Clean And As A Whistle, Only 67,000 Miles  
Was \$6,988  
Blowout Price \$5,988  
Not a Mistake!

**98 FORD TAURUS SE**  
V6, loaded and priced to sell! #1833  
Was \$9,988  
Blowout Price \$7,988  
Not a Mistake!

**1995 DODGE INTREPID ES**  
A really nice car for a little money! #4762-1  
Was \$5,488  
Blowout Price \$3,988  
Not a Mistake!

**00 DODGE RAM QUAD CAB (4DR.)**  
2 wheel drive, V10, trailer puller, 3XL, matching fiberglass top, running boards, 2 door! Sharp as they come. Low miles! #18282-1  
Was \$20,988  
Blowout Price \$18,988  
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**99 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN SE**  
ALL WHEEL DRIVE - WOW! The perfect Northern Michigan family vehicle! Don't slip and slide another day! Won't be here long. #4815  
Was \$13,988  
Blowout Price \$12,488  
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**00 CHEVY K1500 REG. CAB 4X4**  
Pickup - V8, auto, air, factory warranty, lots of extras and only 17,000 miles! #18554-1  
Was \$20,988  
Blowout Price \$18,988  
Not a Mistake!

**00 OLDSMOBILE BRAVADA**  
Loaded with power moon roof, leather, heated seats, the works! Low miles! Awesome power color. This one will be one you won't want to miss! #78504  
Was \$22,988  
Blowout Price \$19,988  
Not a Mistake!

**99 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN 4X4**  
LT with leather! Loaded to the max! 35,000 miles! #4718  
Was \$27,988  
Blowout Price \$24,988  
Not a Mistake!

**1999 CHEVY S10 REGULAR CAB**  
LS, auto, a/c and best of all, only 14,000 miles! A great bargain! #4854  
Was \$12,988  
Blowout Price \$11,488  
Not a Mistake!

**2000 PLYMOUTH GRAND VOYAGER SE**  
Clean, fully loaded & ready. #1814-1  
Was \$18,988  
Blowout Price \$13,988  
Not a Mistake!

**1999 CHEVY TAHOE 4X4 LT**  
#4821, 4 Dr., With Leather, Only 37,000 Miles. Don't Pay \$40,000 For A New One!  
Was \$23,988  
Blowout Price \$21,988  
Not a Mistake!

**99 DODGE RAM QUAD CAB 4x4**  
Loaded, red, and ready for you! Only 24,000 miles! You must see this one, if you are looking for a clean truck! #18571-1 Was \$22,988  
Blowout Price \$19,988  
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**1998 CHEVY K1500 4X4**  
#18640-1, 1st Cab, Only 33,000 Miles, 350 V8, Silverado Trim, 3 Doors, Full Power Great Tires, Very Clean & Nice! You Won't Find One Nice!  
Was \$20,988  
Blowout Price \$19,488  
Not a Mistake!

**99 GMC JIMMY 4 DR. 4X4**  
SLT, very nice equipment and sharp! These are \$30,000 now! #4838  
Was \$17,988  
Blowout Price \$15,988  
Not a Mistake!

**99 GMC JIMMY 4 DR. 4X4**  
SLT, sharp and clean! Only 30,000 miles! #4839  
Was \$19,488  
Blowout Price \$17,488  
Not a Mistake!

**99 CHEVROLET TAHOE 4 DR. 4X4**  
LT with leather! Loaded and sharp! #4840  
Was \$22,988  
Blowout Price \$20,488  
Not a Mistake!

**2002 JEEP CHEROKEE LAREDO 4X4**  
Full Power, CD, Much More! Sharp And Hot! #35,000! #4821  
Was \$25,988  
Blowout Price \$23,488  
Not a Mistake!

**1999 CHEVY ASTRO**  
All Wheel Drive, The Ideal Northern Michigan People Mover! Will Tack Through Snow, Mud, Ice, Rain, or Anything! #18921-1  
Was \$14,988  
Blowout Price \$12,988  
Not a Mistake!

**1999 S-10 EXT. CAB**  
2 Wheel Drive, 3rd Door, Auto, Air, LS, Tilt, Cruise, A Great Little Truck For A Little Bit Of Money! #4825  
Was \$13,988  
Blowout Price \$11,988  
Not a Mistake!

**99 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN 4X4**  
LS pkg., loaded, rear air, two tone, very nice with low miles. #4814  
Was \$26,988  
Blowout Price \$24,488  
Not a Mistake!

**00 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN**  
WOW! A nice practical new van for about \$10,000 less than a new one! Only at Scheer Motors! Blowout! #18586-1  
Was \$17,988  
Blowout Price \$15,988  
Not a Mistake!

**00 OLDSMOBILE SILHOUETTE EXT.**  
Top of the line in GM Minivans with only 23,000 miles! Must see! #1846  
Was \$20,988  
Blowout Price \$18,988  
Not a Mistake!

**99 OLDSMOBILE SILHOUETTE GLS EXT.**  
WOW! Leather, power windows, air, all the bells and whistles! #1897-1  
Was \$20,488  
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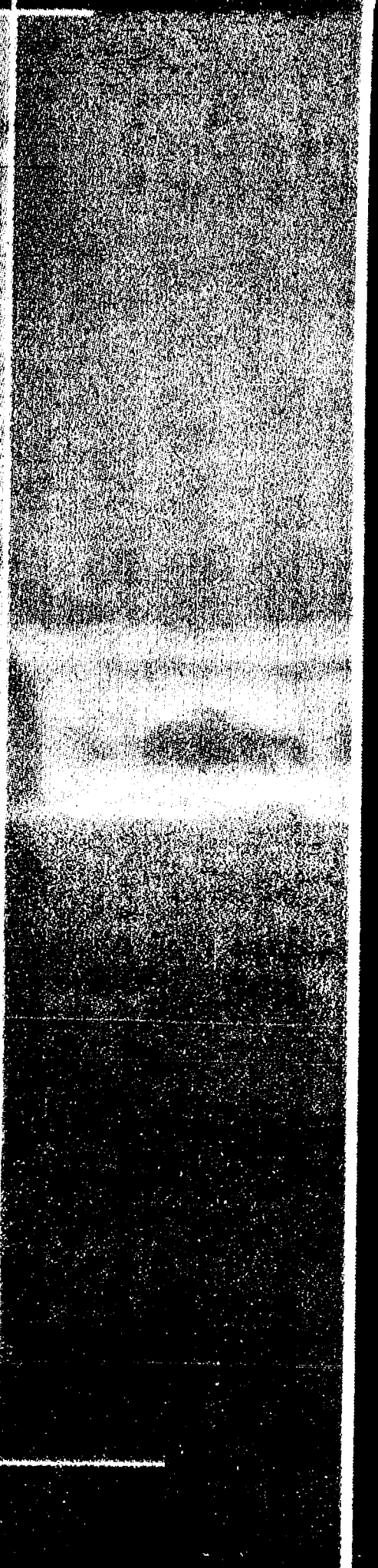
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# Five Tips For Fun Family Fishing

## 'Hook' The Kids On Fishing By Making It Fun For Them

(Courtesy of American Outdoors News Features)

Who better than husband and wife fishing pros, with children who love to fish, to give tips on family fishing? Jimmy Mize who fishes the BASS pro circuit and his wife, Lucy, who fishes the Operation Bass circuit are also both Mercury Outboards and Ranger Boats pro staff team members who give seminars on the subject. The Arkansas couple got both their children hooked on fishing by just having them along and making it fun for them when they went to practice. "They grew up doing it with us," said Jimmy.

Here's their five tips to involve the family:

1. **Begin with a rod and reel that's their size.** For youngsters a closed face reel is easy for casting. Then spend time practice casting with them before they get to the water.

2. **Keep it simple for both spouses and children.** Take

## Finding Fish By Degrees

(Courtesy of American Outdoors News Features)

To humans, the sticky, humid summer days with temperatures pushing over 90 degrees is hot. We really complain when it pushes higher.

What do fish do when water temperatures approach similarly high levels?

According to Mercury Outboards fishing experts they attempt to avoid the hot surface waters by seeking the zone below that suits them best and going deeper as the summer progresses. Some of the best fishing may be in the early morning or late evening when the temperature is at its lowest.

Knowing the preferred temperature range of your favorite fish can net great results.

The preferred range of these popular fish is generally the midpoint of this temperature chart:

| Fish                          | Degrees |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| Brook Trout                   | 45-70   |
| Brown Trout                   | 45-75   |
| Rainbow Trout                 | 60-65   |
| Walleye and Smallmouth Bass   | 50-75   |
| Coho Salmon                   | 53-58   |
| Largemouth Bass               | 50-85   |
| Musky, Northern Pike, Crappie | 55-75   |
| Bluegill and White Bass       | 60-80   |

(Chart compiled by Mercury Outboards)

them anywhere that will let them get a few bites! Especially for kids go for whatever is biting such as bream or white bass; something where they'll catch a lot of fish, it can be great fun for young and old. (The Mizes say they still do it.) Call the marina; check the newspaper's outdoor section or the local game and fish agency on what and where they are biting.

3. **Have patience.** Let them do things for themselves. Keep in mind that children's attention spans aren't very long. Don't make them go out for seven or eight hours. Keep it short or move to another likely spot, especially if it's not a productive day of catching fish.

4. **Bring some humor too and maybe a picnic lunch.** Your youngster may find it more fun to throw things at the bobber or splash water with the rod tip.

5. **As they get older, refine the equipment and make the activity more of a challenge,** fishing for other species that are harder to catch. Above all make it fun just being together.

"You might get lucky as we did in having lifetime fishing partners of our children," smiled Lucy.

And to commemorate that first fish for a child, you can have a neat certificate printed up on your home computer in just a couple of minutes. On the web locate the following site: [www.asafishing.org/funstuff/firstfish/](http://www.asafishing.org/funstuff/firstfish/)

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# Local Golf Courses Open For The Season

## Fox Run Country Club and Grayling Country Club Welcome Golfers

Crawford County boasts two public courses for golfers – Fox Run Country Club and Grayling Country Club – both of which are currently open for the 2002 season. Both courses have a beautiful, natural theme.

The 18-hole, par 72 Fox Run golf course is cut through the natural setting of numerous hardwoods. The holes follow the natural terrain and go with the lay of the land.

The 5,800 yards of Grayling Country Club's 18-hole golf course are set along the banks of the AuSable River. Par for the course is 70.

The two golf courses contain some challenging hazards to make each round interesting. Grayling Country Club features standard bunkers and water. Fox Run's hazards include marshes and ponds.



### Over 17 million Americans play golf.

Both golf courses are playable for golfers of all skill levels. Any player of any skill level can play Fox Run or Grayling Country Club and have fun.

Grayling Country Club is located along the I-75 Business Loop in downtown Grayling.

The course can be reached at 348-5618.

Fox Run Country Club is located one-half mile west of I-75, off of exit 251 on Four Mile Road in Beaver Creek Township. The course can be reached at 348-4343.

# Travel Tips For Golfers

## Golf Travel Puts More Than \$24 Billion Into The Economy Each Year

(NUI) - The most popular sport for travelers isn't running through airports – not by a long shot. According to the Travel Industry Association of America, one in eight U.S. travelers played golf while on a trip of 100 miles or more away from home in the past year.

The 17.3 million Americans who played golf on the road averaged almost three trips a year. A hard-core 10 percent make six or more golf trips a year. All together, golf travel puts more than \$24 billion into the economy each year.

Ready for a golf trip? The travel experts at GeoTravels.com have identified the top golf travel trends for the new millennium:

- Playing the top U.S. courses. Popular rankings of top sites inspire wanderlust. Quite a few of the top courses in the United States are available for public play, including California's Pebble Beach and North Carolina's Pinehurst No. 2. The top golfing destinations: Florida, California, Arizona and South Carolina.

- Going back to golf's roots. There's nothing quite like a pilgrimage to golf's birthplace in Scotland. The Old Course at St. Andrews, which dates to the

16th century, is available for public play with advance reservations. Scotland's Muirfield, opened in 1744, is also on Golf Magazine's list of the world's top 100.

- Playing "The Trail." The New York Times says that "some of the best public golf on Earth" can be found in Alabama. Eighteen remarkable courses make up the Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail, designed by the legendary Robert Trent Jones Sr. Frequent Flyer Magazine has called the trail "one of the world's top 10 trips."

- Making it a family affair. A third of all golf trips in the United States involve visits to friends or relatives. Even if the whole family doesn't play golf, it's possible to arrange vacations with something for everybody, from beach resorts to big cities to rustic mountain areas.

- Hawaii. Because there's so much to do, because the scenery is so magnificent and the weather predictable, the 50th state will always be a hot destination. Besides, Hawaii boasts 100 golf courses: It would take a lot of trips to play them all. With so many appealing options, it's no surprise that savvy golf travelers turn to the Internet to help them plan their vacations.

The "golf trips" section of GeoTravels.com brings together the best Web travel sites – selected by humans, not machines – to make your plan-

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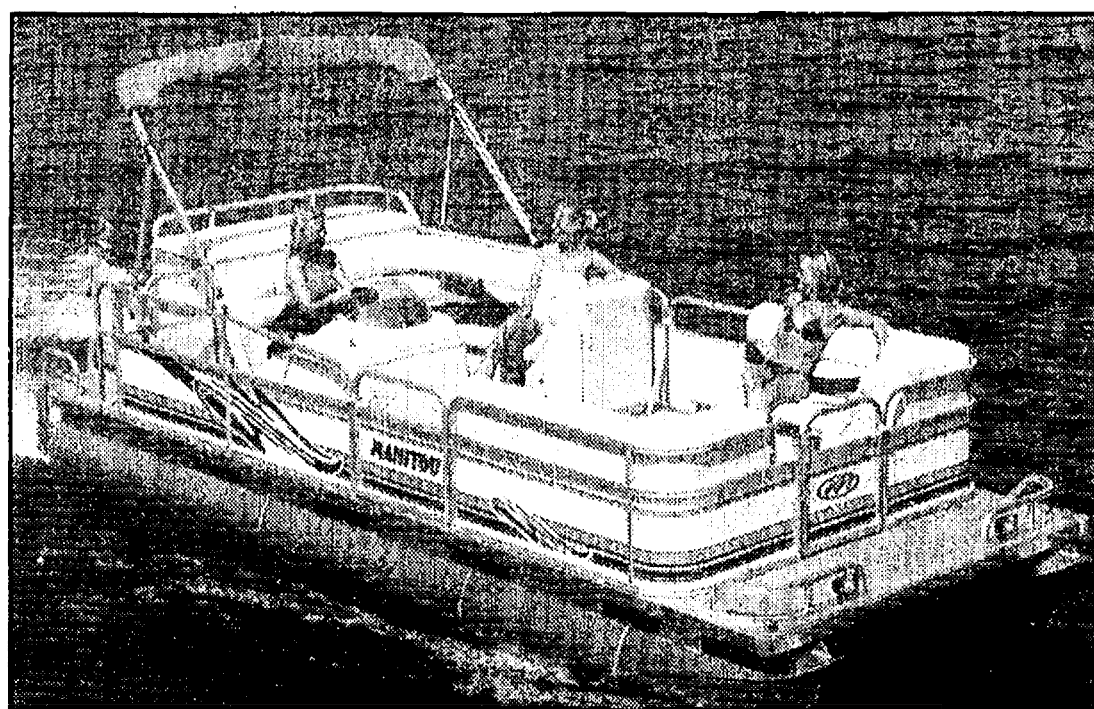
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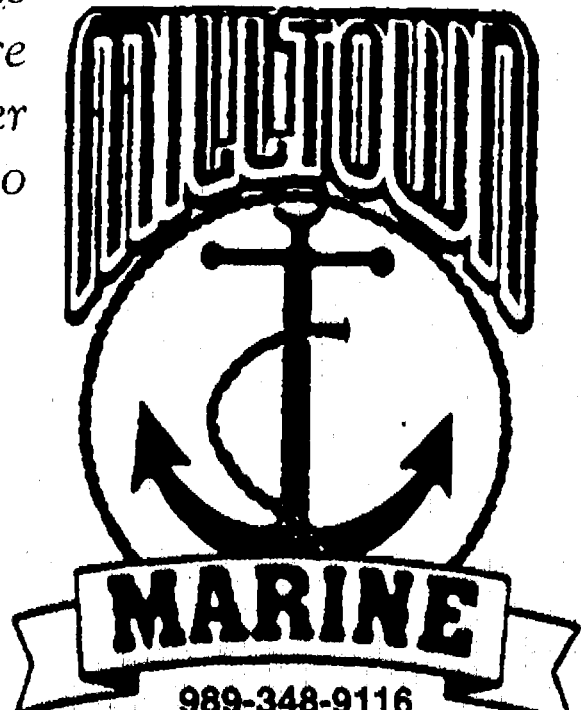
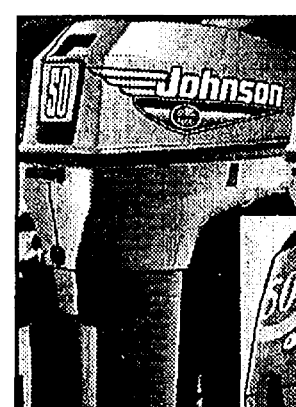


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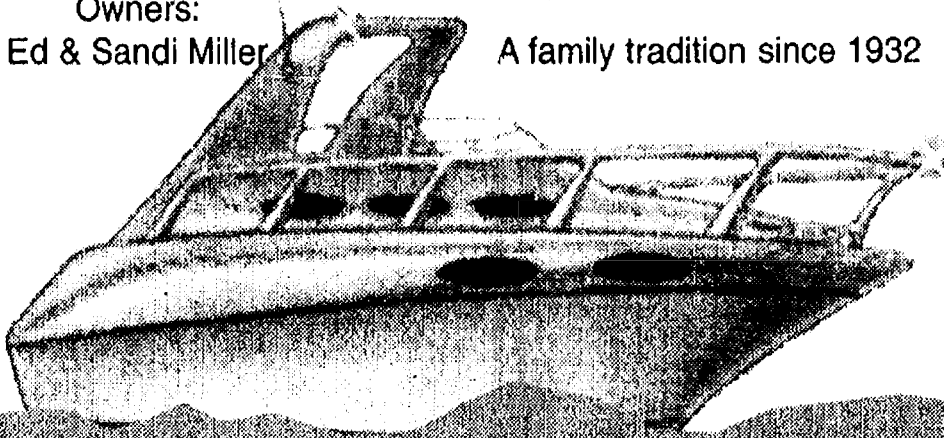


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# Campers: Fifty Million & Growing

## 'Camping Is One Of Our Great American Traditions'

(Courtesy of American Outdoors News Features)

Right up there with exercise walking and swimming the sports activity that was enjoyed most by more Americans is camping. Whether in family tents in a scenic remote area or in the convenience of a motorhome in a state or national park, 50.1 million persons participated in camping in the latest report by the National Sporting Goods Association (NSGA).

"It's one of the biggest jumps we've seen," said Bob Calderone of Cruise America, the country's only nationwide RV rental company. "More people are seeing the beauty of North America than ever before. In '95 participation in camping was estimated at 42.8 million. That's a jump of over seven million more people involved in camping to the '99 NSGA figures. Rentals and sales of RV motorhomes of all types has also been on the rise."

"Camping is one of our great American traditions, so it's not a new phenomenon; rather, it's the dynamic, accelerated growth of family camping activities that is eye-catching," according to Jeffrey J. Basford, president of Paha Que' Wilderness Inc., makers of family tents. "More and more Americans have discovered the healthy benefits of



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**Shupac Lake** — two miles north of Lovells via Twin Bridge Road; 30 sites; boating, swimming, fishing, with special regulations on boat motors.

**Jones Lake** — nine miles east of Frederic via County Road 612; 42 sites; boating, swimming, fishing, ramp for small boats.

**Upper Manistee River** — seven miles west of Frederic via County Road 612; 30 sites; 10 walk-in sites; canoeing, fishing, group camping for canoeists.

**Manistee River Bridge** — eight miles west of Grayling via M-72; 23 sites; canoeing, good trout fishing, canoe access.

**Lake Margrethe** — five miles west of Grayling via M-72; 37 sites; swimming, fishing, boat ramp, parking.

**AuSable River Canoe Camp** — seven miles east of Grayling via North Down River Road and Headquarters Road; day use and canoe access campsites only, fishing, AuSable River.

**Burton's Landing** — five miles east of Grayling via M-72 and Burton's Landing Road; 12 sites; canoeing, fishing, on AuSable River, canoe access.

**Keystone Landing** — six miles east of Grayling via M-72 and Keystone Landing

Road; 18 sites; canoeing, fishing, on AuSable River, canoe access.

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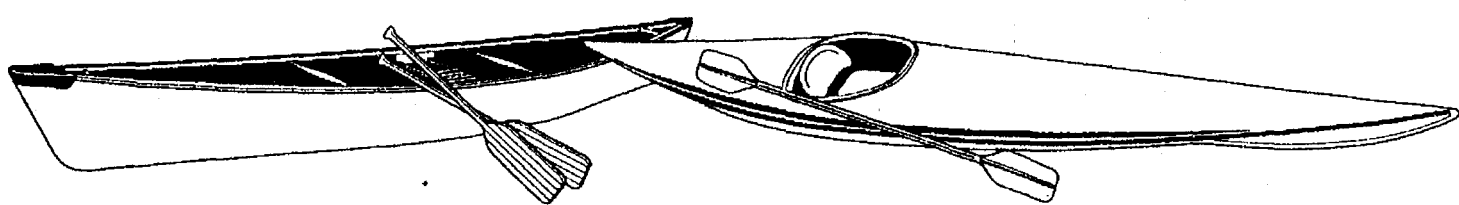
**Rainbow Bend** — 15 miles east of Grayling via M-72 and McMasters Bridge Road; six sites; canoeing, fishing, on AuSable River, canoe access, canoe group camping sites.

**Four Mile Trail Camp** — from I-75 and Four Mile Road interchange, east on Four Mile Road four miles, turn south into camp; 50 sites; horse camp, on Michigan Shore to Shore Riding-Hiking Trail.

**Goose Creek Trail Camp** — from County Road 612 and Manistee River Road go south on Manistee River Road, .3 miles and turn right into camp; nine sites; horse camp, on Michigan Shore to Shore Riding-Hiking Trail.

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# Camping Checklist

## Help Ensure A Great Trip By Bringing All The Essential Gear

(Courtesy of American Outdoors News Features)

Did you remember all the little things that make a good camping trip great? Here's a list that Paha Que' Wilderness uses to ensure great trips every time:

### Tent

Remember, when it comes to tents you get what you pay for!

- Ground cloth or footprint
- High quality ground stakes and guy-lines
- Tent and pole repair kit
- Non-flammable light source
- Air mattresses
- Tent heaters

### Personal

- Sleeping bags and pillows
- Toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, soap, toilet paper, etc.)
- Prescription medications
- Mirror

- Pocket knife
- Skin lotion/Sunscreen/Bug repellent
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- Water containers, canteens
- Camp chairs
- Shovel (min. one per campfire)
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- Table
- Extra lantern mantles
- Firestarters/Solar shower bags
- Personal 2 way radios
- Extra rope

- Duct tape
- Tool kit
- Battery powered radio w/ Weather Band
- Good maps, compass
- GPS
- Camera and film
- Camp Kitchen
- Stove
- 1 Frying pan, 1 deep sauce pan
- 1 skillet
- 1 Dutch oven (this is all you need, if you're good!)
- Good quality coffee pot
- Cooking/preparation/eating table
- Eating/serving utensils (plates, cups, spoons, forks, knives, etc.)
- Can opener
- Paper towels
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- Cooler(s) one for food, one for beverages
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- Wash tub for cleaning up
- Aluminum foil/resealable plastic bags

## Getting The Most From Your Tent

### A Few Things To Consider When Pitching Your Tent

(Courtesy of American Outdoors News Features)

A good tent is a must for a satisfying camping experience. But to be sure you get maximum performance, here are some very basic things to consider when you pitch your tent:

- Use a good ground cloth to protect your tent's floor material, and for an added layer of protection from moisture.
- Use high quality ground stakes and guy-lines to properly secure your tent, especially in windy weather.

• Look for the most level area, making sure you avoid rocks, surface roots or other ground irregularities.

• In addition to a flat surface, look for a comfortable ground cover; ideally grass or sand, even gravel, all are better than hard dirt. But do not set up on sharp rocks.

• Check prevailing winds, pitching your tent so the wind is at your back; upwind from your campfire.

• Avoid potential dangers such as overhanging branches that could fall on your tent during a storm.

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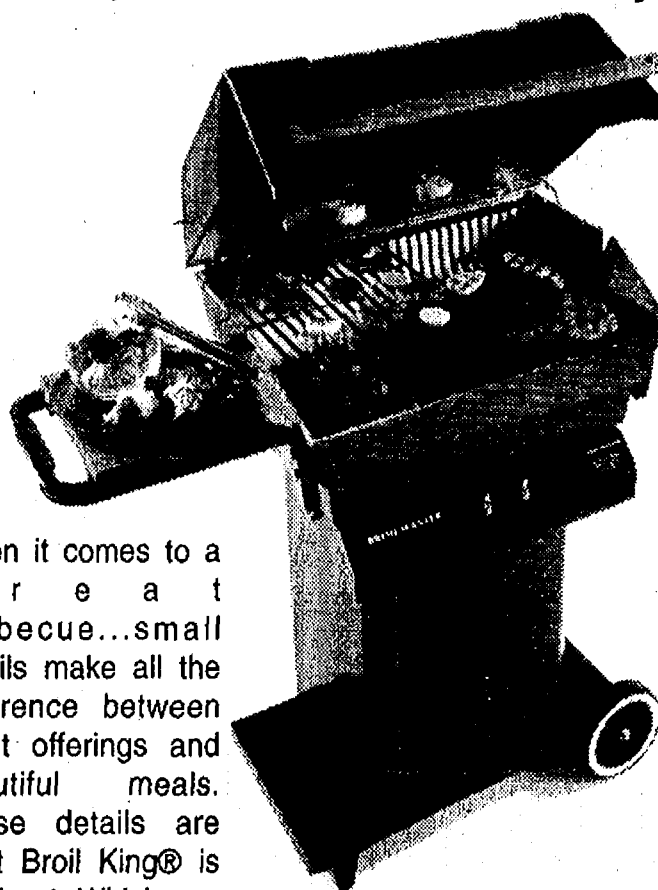
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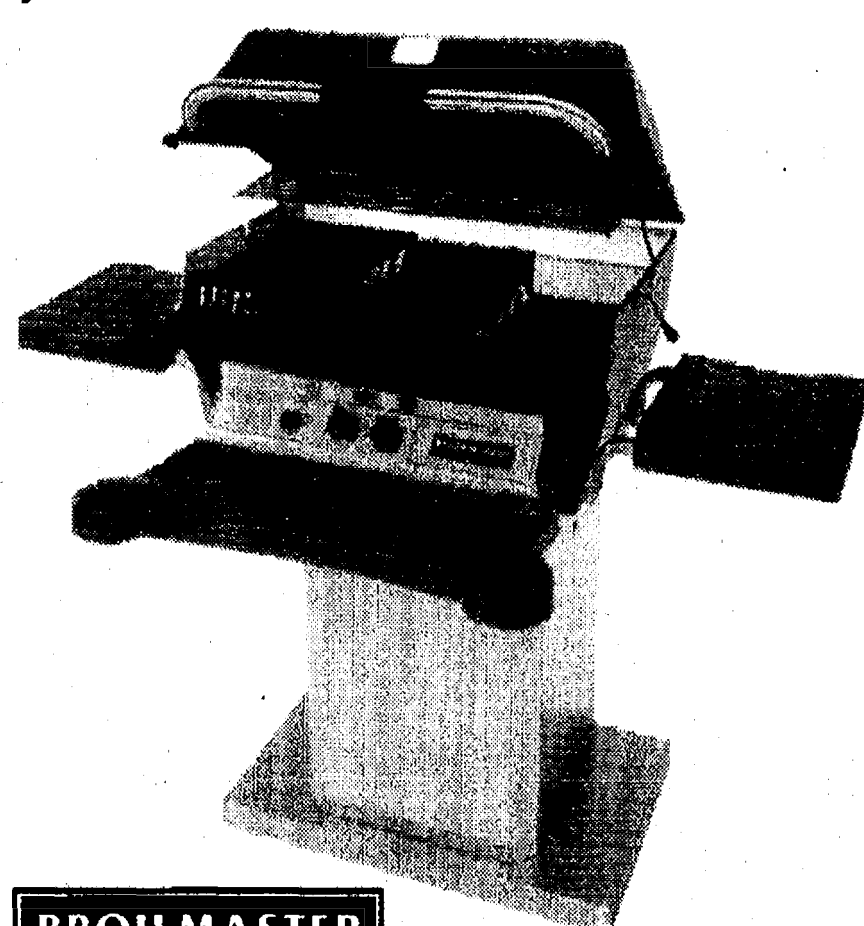
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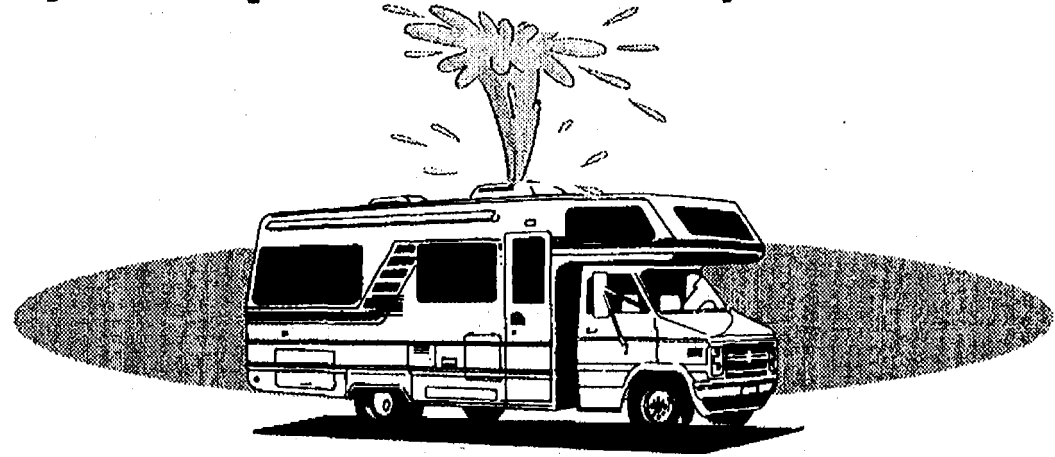
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### Take A Trip Down The AuSable Or Manistee With Family And Friends

The upper AuSable and Manistee rivers in the Grayling area offer some of the finest canoeing in the midwestern United States. These cool, clear world-renowned trout streams move along at a steady, gentle rate through mixed pine and hardwood forests.

It is not unusual to see deer, mink, otter, wild turkeys, a great blue heron or, occasionally, a bald eagle, while on your canoe trip. A "day on the river" is a great way for families to enjoy northern Michigan's great outdoors.

Area canoe liveries offer river day-trips ranging in length from about two to six hours and overnight canoe/camp trips from two to six days, or more. Many families pack a picnic lunch for their day on the river. For those considering an overnight trip, there are state forest campgrounds at various points along the rivers.

The AuSable and Manistee are "Class 1" rivers, with no "whitewater" or heavy rapids. Canoeers who feel comfortable about their canoeing ability can generally easily maneuver around the rivers' natural log-jams and "sweepers," which are cedar trees that hang out low over the river. Occasionally, heavy rain or spring melt-off can result in higher river levels and more difficult canoeing conditions that only experienced canoeers should challenge.

As with any water-sport activity, safety is a primary consideration. Floating or paddling the river is a risk activity, which can result in injury or even death if done carelessly or recklessly.

Guests are encouraged to dress appropriately: warm, layered clothing in cool weather (don't forget extra dry clothes

in a secure dry bag); remember sunscreen and lightweight, long-sleeved shirts to provide sun protection on hot summer days. Taking along rainwear is always a wise choice; northern Michigan weather can change quite quickly.

Members of the Grayling AuSable Canoe Livery Association (GACLA) love sober canoeers. Canoeing while intoxicated is dangerous and illegal. GACLA members remind you: kegs, hard liquor and glass beverage containers are not allowed. There is a limit of one six-pack of beer per canoe.

Radios are not allowed in the canoe. Enjoy the natural sounds and respect others quiet enjoyment of the river. There also are no styrofoam coolers allowed. If the canoe upsets, they break into small pieces and cause unsightly litter.

Make your plans now to enjoy a day on the beautiful AuSable or Manistee rivers. Summer weekends can be very busy at local canoe liveries, so advance reservations are strongly encouraged.

For more information about Grayling area canoeing, contact the Grayling Area Visitors Council at 1-800-937-8837.

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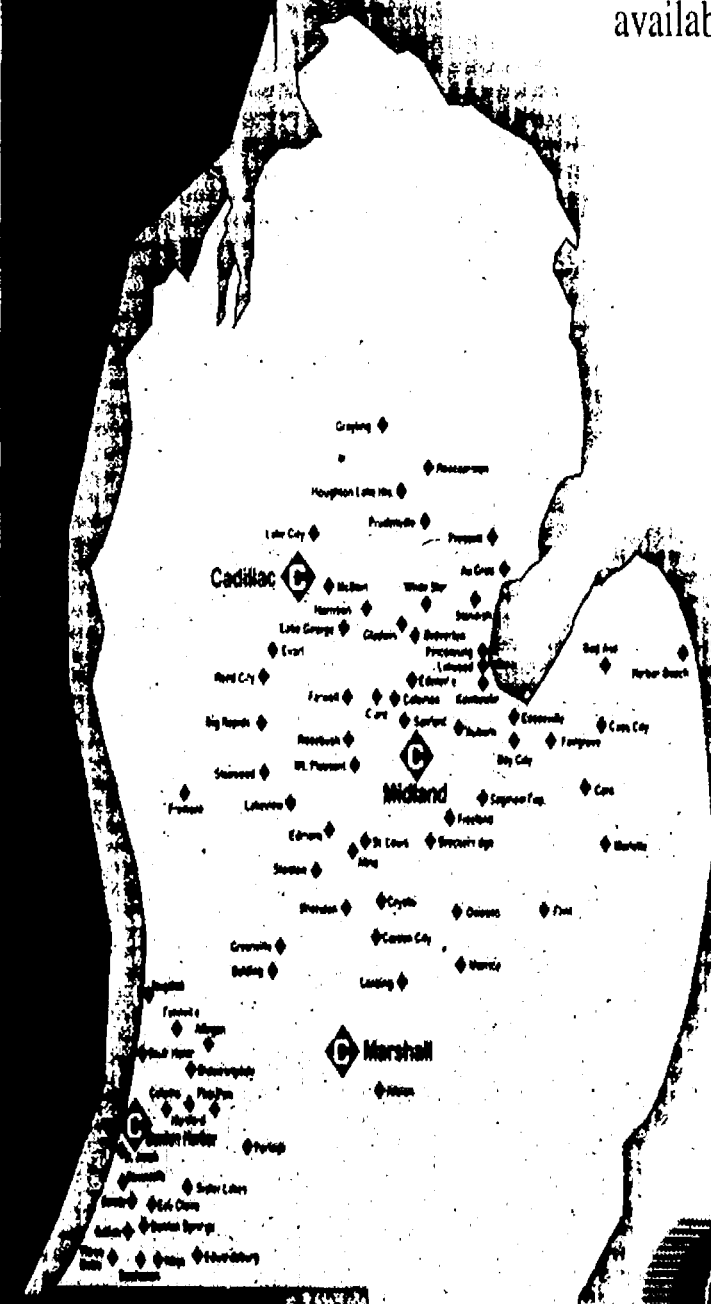
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# Boating – So Many Choices For Fun

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The appeal of the outdoors, especially to the nation's waterways, draws more people to boating. Fishing, skiing, boat camping, sailing or simply being outdoors on a relaxing cruise makes boating very popular.

Why? Because boating and all of the variety of recreational activities associated with it are fun.

Check out these latest facts and figures:

- Almost \$25.6 billion was spent at retail during 2000 for new and used boats, motors and engines, accessories and other associated costs says the National Marine Manufacturers Association (NMMA) in its annual estimate report; a giant leap of over \$3 billion over '99 figures.

- Through registrations the NMMA estimate 16,965,000 recreational boats are in use across the country.

- Outboard boats are by far and away the most popular craft. Estimates from the NMMA, and companies like Ranger Boats and Mercury Marine nearly 8.3 million outboard boats on the water.

- Fishing and outboard boats are big. Officials at Mercury Marine point out that over 80% of all outboards are sold with the activity of fishing in mind for the owner.

- The experts at Ranger Boats say that when all ages are included over 50 million Americans go fishing each year; over a third of them are women. That means nearly one out of every five people in this country fish; twice the amount that golf.

- Catch and release fishing continues to catch on. The fishing experts at companies like Mercury Marine and Ranger Boats and associations like the FishAmerica Foundation and Coastal Conservation Association all report a steady increase in the number of catch, photograph and release fishing with which they are involved.

- Being a mobile society, trailering boats to favorite waterway destinations is popular with nearly 7,455,600 boat trailers in use, also according to NMMA estimates.

- To get closer to remote and scenic lakeshore and waterway camping vacation getaways many boats are trailered behind RVs too, reports Cruise America, the nation's largest RV rental. Many others go boat camping taking family tents to remote water bound sites according to PahaQue Wilderness.

- Sailboats grew over 6,000 units from the previous year to hit 27,800 boats sold in '00 according to the annual Sailing Business Review. Programs like Discover Sailing are helping to

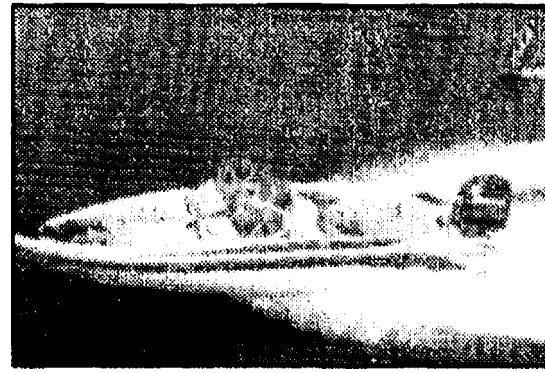


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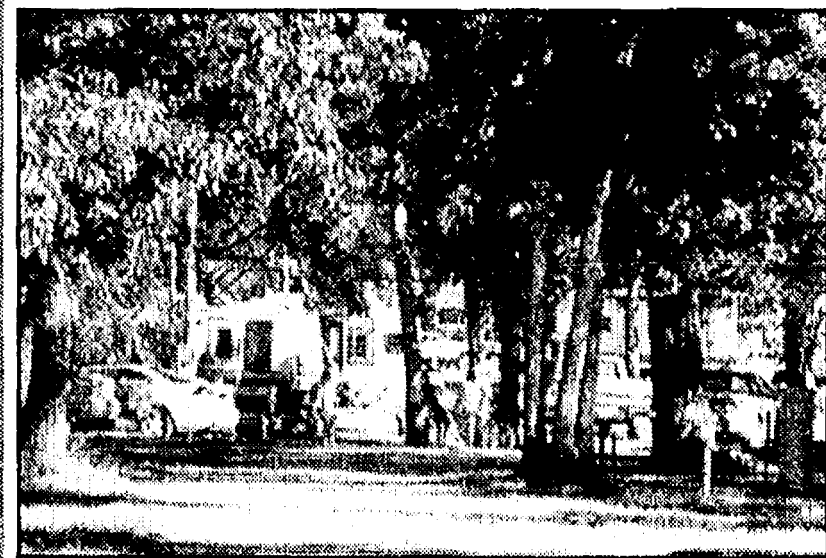
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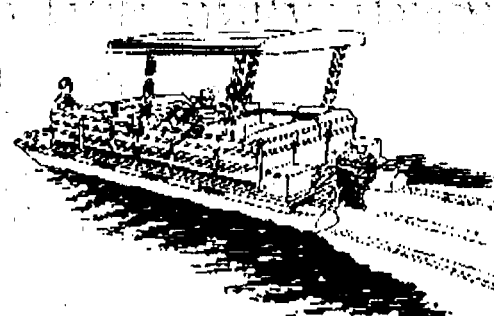
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## Trailer Checklist

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Here's a basic checklist recommended by the folks at Mercury Marine and Ranger Boats that you should run through every time you hitch up your boat trailer:

- Make sure your boat is properly tied down, so it won't move around on the trailer.

- If equipped, check that the trailer brakes are O.K.

- Make sure all tires are properly inflated and check the tread.

- Check your wheel bearings before you head out, and have them serviced at least once a year.

- Make sure the hitch ball is tight, the hitch coupler is locked, and the trailer safety chains are securely hooked to your vehicle.

- Check your trailer's brake lights and turn signals.

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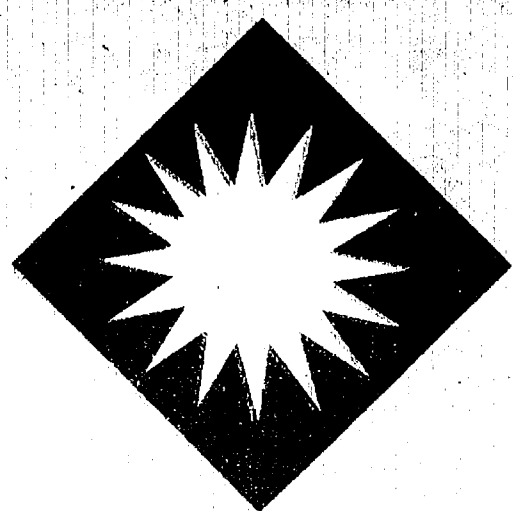
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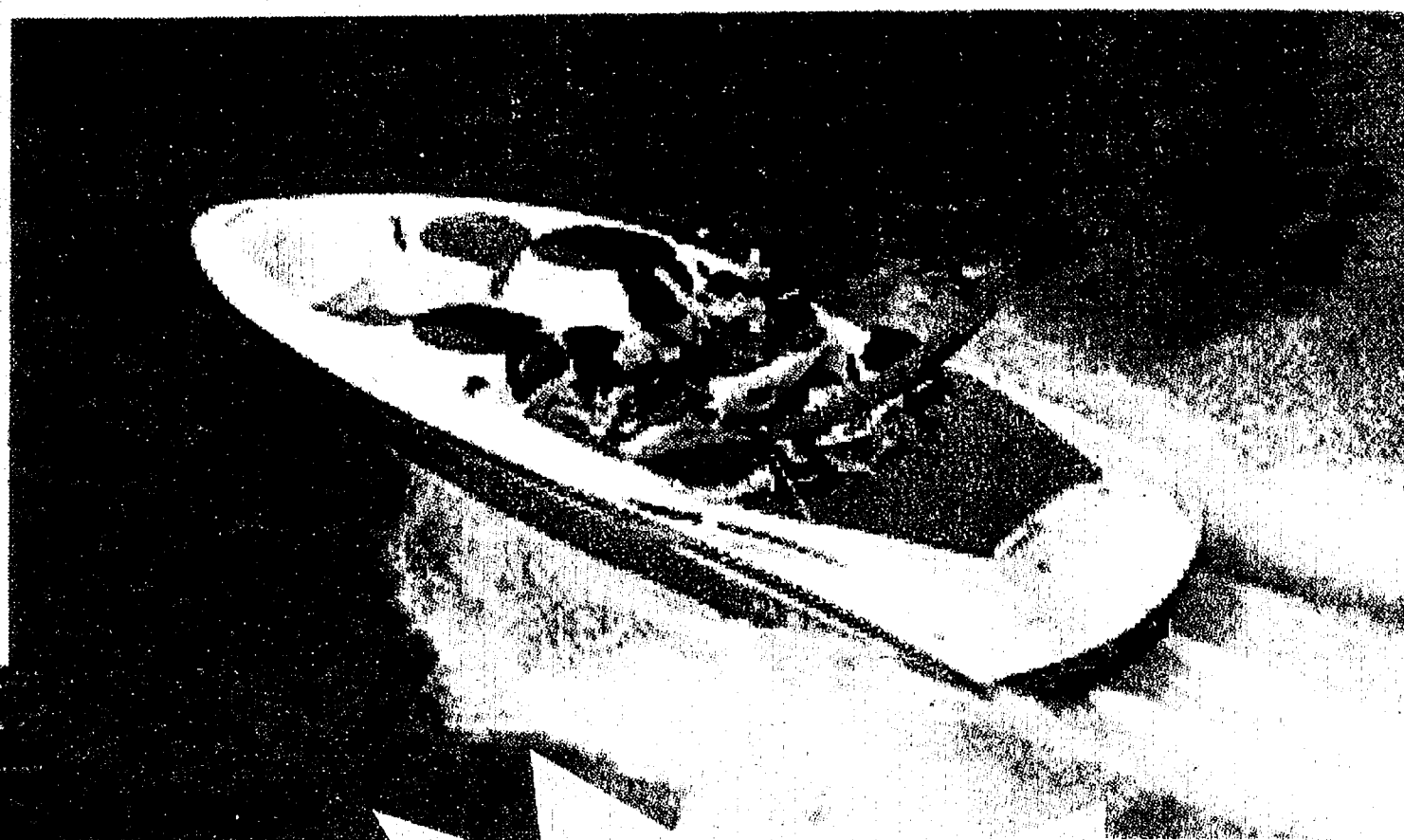






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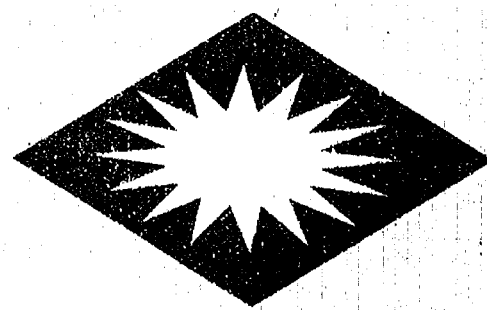
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